

Alberta Budget Provides for Refunding Public Debt

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Weather

Today and Saturday — Cloudy and mild, with fresh winds this afternoon and light snow tonight. Sun rises Saturday 8:03. Sets 7:27. Light on vehicles by 7:47; light on aircraft by 19:37 hours.
Edmonton Temperatures — Thursday, maximum, 42; Friday, minimum, 15. Estimated high today, 38; estimated overnight low, 30; estimated high tomorrow, 35.

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BY CARRIER

Americans Surging Across Rhine

Premier Manning Delivers His First Budget Speech

New Unearned Increment Taxation on Leases, Revision Existing Mineral Levy Announced; Overall Deficit Seen on Year's Financing

Total Collapse Of Nazi Army Believed Near

LONDON, March 9.—(AP)—The crossing of the Rhine by American troops captured the imagination of Britons more than anything since D-Day, and some morning newspapers proclaimed enthusiastically today that the end of German organized resistance now seemed surely at hand.

"It is impossible not to conclude that their total collapse is close at hand," said the Daily Herald. "If there is the slightest sincerity in Hitler's claim that he loves Germany more than he loves himself, he must now proclaim to the German people that his leadership is at an end."

The Daily Express said Gen. Eisenhower now has "caught up" time lost by the German counter-offensive in December.

Aringay Seized On Luzon Coast

MANILA, March 9.—(AP)—American forces of the 33rd Division drove 12 miles north along the west coast of Luzon to seize the town of Aringay, west of the Philippine summer capital of Baguio, while troops on Luzon's south coast advanced 13 miles east of Balabayan Bay to capture Lemery.

East of Baguio, the 25th Division was probing northward from Dipdig and Carranglan toward the Balete pass, gateway to the extensive Cagayan valley of northern Luzon. The bulk of the remaining enemy garrison is believed to be in this area.

Meanwhile a communique announced that Australian forces in an amphibious operation had landed without opposition on Saposa Island, at the southern entrance to Matchin bay, off the north-western coast of Bougainville in the Solomons.

Today's communique announced that bombers on successive days hit Japanese defenses along the line with more than 1,000 tons of bombs.

Germany Calls All Able Males At Kuestrin

LONDON, March 9.—(CP)—Germany today summoned every male in the Reich from 16 to 65 years of age to register with military authorities in a drastic effort to unscramble tangled army units and scrape up more manpower for defense.

Hinting at the confusion prevailing, a decree broadcast by DNB apparently had for its purpose the rounding up of deserters and the sorting out of soldiers lost from their units. It said:

"Many people have sought shelter in the interior of the Reich during the last few weeks. Workers and officials have lost their working places and soldiers were cut off from their units."

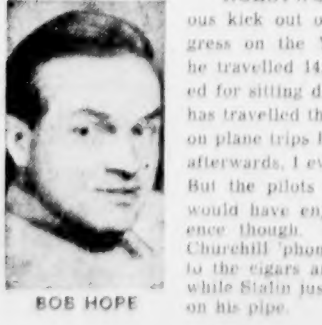
"The decree then cancelled all furloughs except for reasons of ill health."

Flier Gets OBE

OTTAWA, March 9.—(CP)—Air force headquarters announced today that Lt. L. E. G. Semple of Little River Road, Que., has been made a member of the military division of the Order of the British Empire for "outstanding gallantry and leadership."

It Says Here

by Bob Hope



Featured by a \$113,200,000 plan to refund Alberta's public debt, the provincial budget for the 1945-46 fiscal year was introduced into the Legislature Friday by Premier Ernest Manning, provincial treasurer. It was his first budget speech, as he took over the portfolio in a cabinet reorganization last September.

The budget, totalling almost \$28,000,000, forecasts an overall deficit of \$702,284, compared to a deficit of \$838,956 estimated for the 1944-45 fiscal year.

It contains a new unearned increment tax on leases, and makes provision for a revision of the present mineral tax set-up. The unearned increment tax on leases estimated to yield \$10,000, although this is difficult to estimate accurately as it is a new tax.

Provision is made for payment of the balance of outstanding savings certificates, amounting to approximately \$3,200,000. This payment will fully discharge obligations of the government on savings certificates.

The refunding plan calls for issue of \$113,220,000 of 33-year callable bonds bearing interest at 3½ per cent. The new debentures are to be issued dated June 1, 1945, and will be offered in exchange for present provincial bonds, matured and unmatured. Adjustments will be paid to bondholders who voluntarily exchange their bonds, for financial losses suffered as a result of the current default.

Holders of 6 per cent debentures, now receiving 3 per cent interest, may exchange their holdings for new bonds bearing interest at 3½ per cent and in addition will receive an adjustment of \$9 for each \$100.

Holders of 5 per cent debentures will receive a new 3½ per cent bond, together with an adjustment of \$7.50 for each \$100. Holders of 4 per cent debentures will receive a new 3½ per cent bond and an adjustment of \$6 on each \$100. The exact method by which this adjustment will be paid is being scrutinized by treasury and attorney-general's department officers.

The refunding plan does not include \$5,500,000 of Alberta Great Waterways bonds which still are outstanding. Under the new arrangement the government proposes to provide a minimum of \$2,000,000 a year for debt retirement, which will be used to cancel either by purchase or call the new bonds issued.

The minimum debt retirement of \$2,000,000 annually will result in

an annual decrease in interest charges of \$70,000 a year. If this

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Joe Still Sure Germany Will Be Victorious

LONDON, March 9.—(CP)—Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels told the German people yesterday that the war had "already exceeded its climax" and would "lead up to a furious and suddenly" in German victory.

Predicting German superiority in morale and purpose would permit Germany to snatch victory in the final moment of crisis, Goebbels said in an article in his newspaper that the fighting fronts remain fluid and "it is not to be presumed that it will become completely stabilized anywhere at any time."

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PREMIER ERNEST MANNING

Daring Group Saved Allies Costly Price

By HOWARD COWAN

ACROSS THE RHINE, March 9.—(AP)—A daring band of armoured infantrymen, utterly ignoring the fact that the 1,200-foot steel road and rail bridge might blow up in their faces, raced across the Rhine at Remagen and saved the Allies the costly price of an amphibious invasion of inner Germany.

In a matter of seconds after a company of infantry, paced by Lieut. Emmet J. Burrows, had seized the bridge—in the midst of explosions which caused slight damage—elements of the 9th armoured division fanned out on the east bank and carried the bridgehead.

The operation took place Wednesday. Civilians said the bridge was to go at 4 p.m. The tanks got there at 3:40 p.m.

Lieut. John Mitchell of Pittsburgh, Pa., found the cache of explosive and quickly disconnected the wires. Men were called up to start repair of the superficial damage, while the bridge still was under fire.

British artillery was pounding the Japanese positions relentlessly as Panja troops of Maj. Gen. J. T. Rees, 19th Indian Division hammered their way through enemy lines in a determined bid for the high point.

(The BBC radio said that according to unofficial reports United Kingdom troops had penetrated the old walls surrounding Fort Dufferin.)

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Ludendorf Bridge Captured; Troops Expand Bridgehead

By BRUCE W. MUNN

PARIS, March 9.—(BUP)—American First Army tanks and troops swept across the Ludendorf bridge at Remagen and drove more than four miles into the German hinterland today. To the north, hundreds of U.S. Ninth Army guns began flattening the arsenal cities of the Ruhr valley in a tremendous bombardment from the west bank of the Rhine.

The security blackout that had cloaked the progress of the First Army since it broke across the Rhine 48 hours ago was lifted dramatically today to reveal that the Ludendorf bridge had been captured intact in probably the most amazing military coup of the war.

RACE THROUGH BREACH
American guns, tanks and troops were racing through the breach and fanning out at top speed through the rolling hills east of the Rhine against a stunned and apparently demoralized enemy.

Despite frantic German broadcasts asserting that the Americans had been checked on the northern and southern flanks of the bridgehead, headquarters said the attack was going well and that the salient was being expanded steadily.

The entire 110-mile Rhineland front from Coblenz north to the Dutch border burst into flame in the wake of the First Army breakthrough.

Headquarters revealed that another American Army, the 15th, had arrived on the continent with the U.S. First and Third Armies. With the 15th, Bradley's command embraced more than 1,000,000 American soldiers, giving him tactical control of more troops than any other leader in modern military history.

The arrival of the new army came at what was obviously the critical hour of the battle of western Europe.

More than 250 giant field guns of the U.S. Ninth Army massed before Dusseldorf and Duisburg opened an artillery barrage on the packed factory cities of the Ruhr in what appeared to be a double-edged blow aimed at flattening the industrial basin and blasting a path across the Ruhr.

BERLIN REPORTS
Berlin military commentators also reported without confirmation that seven to eight British Second Army divisions, about 85,000 to 120,000 men, were deploying along the front.

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Nazi Industrial City of Kassel Heavily Bombed

LONDON, March 9.—(C.P.)—The German industrial city of Kassel, heavily bombed by the RAF last night, was attacked again today by the main force of a 1,000-bomber fleet of the U.S. 8th Air Force.

In night raids British bombers also hit submarine yards in Hamburg and unspecified objectives in Berlin.

The U.S. 15th Air Force struck a heavy blow at German communications yesterday in Hungary, hitting railroad yards at Komarom, 20 miles in advance of Russian ground forces, and blocking all through lines at Hoveshalom, near the Austrian frontier 45 miles east of Komarom.

The Italian-based fighters were carefully briefed against dropping bombs in areas where the Russians might be.

HIT U-BOAT YARDS

At Hamburg, the main objective was the Blohm-Voss submarine yards, where new-type U-boats are being assembled.

Berlin was again the target of Mosquito bombers, which dumped two-ton blockbusters on the German capital for the 17th consecutive night.

The German radio indicated that Allied fighters and medium bombers from advanced bases on the continent were operating full strength over the front today after two days of comparative inactivity because of the weather.

Before noon fighter-bomber formations were reported making German positions from Wesel to Coblenz.

Report Mindanao Island Is Invaded By Yank Troops

LONDON, March 9.—Reuters news agency quoted the Tokyo radio today as saying that United States troops had landed on the southwestern tip of Mindanao island in the Philippines.

"During the morning hours of March 8 American forces made a landing at Zamboanga at the utmost southwestern end of the island of Mindanao, according to a dispatch from the Philippines," the broadcast said.

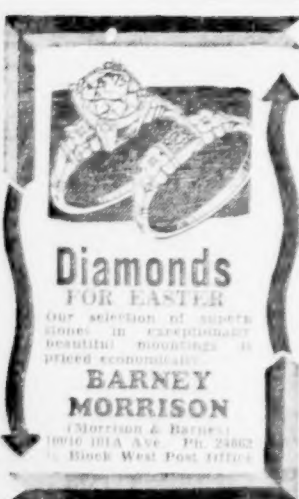
Earlier Tokyo had reported United States warships bombarding Zamboanga.

Predicts Canucks Soon "In Thick" Of Pacific Fight

SYDNEY, Australia, March 9.—(C.P.)—Sir William Glasgow, former Australian high commissioner to Canada, predicted yesterday that Canadians soon will be in the thick of Pacific fighting.

"Canadians will take their place in the war against Japan to the end," Sir William said on his arrival from Ottawa.

There have been unofficial reports in Australia that two Canadian divisions may be sent to the Pacific where they might be brigaded in the Australian Imperial Force divisions in form an Austral army corps.



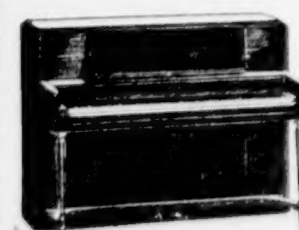
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Home Building Permits Reach 50 This Month

Home building permits issued by the city architect's office up to March 8 have passed the 50 mark and indications are that the home building program this year will be equal to that of 1944.

It is estimated that with the National Housing Act made available in Alberta that approximately 300 home will be built by individuals here if materials and manpower are available.

There is, however, danger that the materials will not be available, as certain types of plumbing supplies are now in short supply.

Representations were made to the controllers of building supplies recently, at which time it was stated that supplies would be allocated to Edmonton, but no assurance was given that these supplies would be in sufficient quantity to meet the 1945 home building program.

Fifteen building permits totalling \$33,100 were issued during the period March 1 to March 8, three of which were for alterations and additions to existing structures.

TO ALTER STORE

A permit was issued to Hallett's Grocery, 9672 Stona Road, for alterations to the store premises, including the parking lot, and to John Berenski, 1252 91 street, for alterations to a dwelling costing \$1,000. A permit was issued to the O.K. Construction and Supply Co. for the construction of a storage bin at 9531 111 avenue costing \$3,000.

The home building permits issued were: Henry Hutton, 10756 72 avenue, \$3,000; F. and L. Wimsch, 9736 76 avenue, \$3,800; Robert Wilchinski, 12647 92 street, \$4,500; Mrs. Grace L. Hironelle, 11749 123 street, \$2,000.

A. Boulay, 12914 112 avenue, \$1,800; Mrs. Jean Nuckles, 11526 88 street, \$1,000; B. Schuk, 10819 and 10817 75 avenue, two dwellings each costing \$1,500; A. R. Johnston, 9003 88 avenue, \$800; A. Terrell, 11248 84 street, \$2,200; and A. Alderson, 11732 79 street, \$1,400.

Swiss to Prevent Nazis Concealing Loot in Country

BERN, March 9.—(AP)—Switzerland concluded trade agreements with Great Britain, the United States and France yesterday in which the United States 14th Air Force's major forward bases. The concentrated fire is worse than anything at Caen in Normandy or in the battle for the Scheldt Estuary last autumn and every advance by the Canadians and by British infantry is through a bursting curtain of high explosives.

On the base of the Wesel triangle, British troops captured Alton and United States 9th Army troops on the right took a town in that area.

The enemy was fighting to the death to protect his north Rhine bridgehead.

Chinese Pressing Suichuan Attack

CHUNGKING, March 9.—(AP)—The high command said last night that Chinese troops were pressing an attack on Suichuan, one of the United States 14th Air Force's major forward bases. The Central News Agency said Japanese military and civilian sea traffic between Shanghai and Japan had been disrupted since Feb. 2 because of havoc caused by Allied air attacks.

Crossfield Man Is Named Grand Master of Lodge

CALGARY, March 9.—(C.P.)—Charles Fox of Crossfield was named grand master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, IOOF, at the annual session which opened here Thursday.

Other officers elected were: A. C. Woodward, Edmonton, deputy grand master; W. C. Gordon, Calgary, grand warden; A. W. Norcross, grand representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge for two years; J. B. Little, W. A. Webb, Archie Sheffield, and W. F. Rogers, home fund trustees; A. W. Northover, Archie Sheffield, G. H. O'Neill and W. McGregor, Alberta Odd-fellows Temple trustees.

Heads Mission By Latin Americas

MEXICO CITY, March 9.—(AP)—Edward R. Steinbock, United States secretary of state, declared last night that the inter-American agreement just completed here was "a significant step" toward the United Nations conference at San Francisco. He asserted also that under the resolutions adopted here, no Axis leader, official or agent who is guilty of crimes against peace and civilization in this war will be able to escape punishment by finding refuge in this hemisphere.

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OTTAWA, March 9.—(C.P.)—Appointment of Rear Admiral Henry Clive Hastings as head of the British Admiralty's mission in Canada was announced last night. Rear Admiral Hastings succeeds the late Vice-Admiral Sir Alfred E. Evans who died in a recent trans-Atlantic airplane accident.

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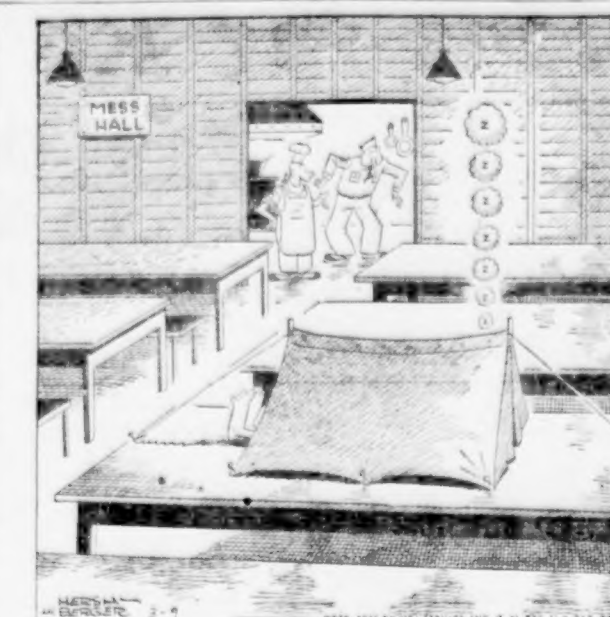
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FUNNY BUSINESS—He's playing safe—he missed breakfast the last two mornings!

Battle Rages In Oder River Kuestrin Base

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ing of the Oder—an announcement which would signal that the Allies in the east as well as in the west have joined battle with the enemy in the heart of Germany.

To the north the Russians pushed forward from an arc eight miles southeast, east and northeast of Berlin's Baltic port of Stettin and rushed up boats and landing craft for an assault across the Dammescher lake which fronts Stettin on the east.

Moscow dispatches said a crossing, which would outflank Stettin on the north and threaten a northern sweep around Berlin, might already have been made along the canalized section of the Oder between the lake and Stettin bay.

AT "OUTER ZONE"

The Germans admitted the assault had reached the port's "outer defence zone" and declared German naval forces had joined the battle along Stettin bay.

Berlin said Russian forces, surging across the "Rhine of the east" two days ago, reached the junction town of Seelow, but official Moscow kept a news blackout on developments in that sector.

The Russian high command, however, disclosed that other Soviet troops rolled within 12 miles of Danzig in a 14-mile advance yesterday, and simultaneously had driven to within seven miles of Stettin, great Baltic port for Berlin.

7-MILE ADVANCE

Despite Moscow's lack of confirmation there seemed no valid reason to doubt Berlin reports that Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov, coordinating the moves with Allied gains in the west, had sent his troops over the Oder, by-passing the German strongholds of Kuestrin and Frankfurt.

His northern wing advanced up to seven miles yesterday and captured 60 localities on a 35-mile arc near Stettin, suburbs of which were under Soviet artillery fire, a Soviet war bulletin said.

At the northern extremity of the arc one column seized Lubitz, seven miles northwest of Stettin in the Oder river estuary. Berlin reported the Russians would attempt to cross the sea channel between Stettin and Stettiner Haff (lagoon) at Puck in an effort to take Stettin from the rear. Enemy reports said Puckitz was also under Soviet artillery fire.

Franco Fortifies Pyrenees Border

MADRID, March 9.—(AP)—Authorized sources have confirmed reports of military movements toward the Pyrenees border where Gen. Franco is establishing three separate army groups behind strong fortifications to safeguard Spanish neutrality against possible raids by Spanish Republican Maquis.

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Jones, Mrs. Hazel Elizabeth.
Kurtin, Mr. Harry.
McCallum, Mr. Joseph.
McPherson, Mrs. Minnie.
Montgomery, Mrs. Margaret.
Pengelly, Mrs. Helen.
Thomson, Mr. James Inglis.
Trent, Mr. George Arthur.
Vant, Mr. John Robert.
Wicorel, Babies Sandra Fay and Evelyn Mae.

RCAF Recalls Some Categories Reserve Airmen

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veterans of operational troops who also have become members of the civilian reserve, will not be asked to report for possible overseas duty. However, discharged aircrew instructors of the training plan, may receive calls.

CASUALTIES HIGHER

It also was recalled here that March 1, it was announced the RCAF had a casualty total of 640 in January, biggest month since September when the service suffered 775 casualties.

Col. Gibson's statement added: "Bomber crews, because of the increased tempo of the bomber offensive in recent months, have been completing operational tours far more rapidly than was anticipated. It was to meet such exigencies as this that the aircrew reserve was formed."

"While the letters instruct members of the aircrew reserve in the categories being called to contact RCAF headquarters immediately, it is emphasized that none are to resign from occupations in which they may be engaged, or discontinue any training which they may be undergoing, until further notification is received."

He said arrangements had been made for adequate embarkation leave for all personnel before overseas postings become effective.

Japanese Premier Expects Invasion

LONDON, March 9.—(Reuters)—Gen. Kuniaki Koiso, Japanese prime minister, yesterday warned the Japanese nation to be prepared for invasion, the Japanese Domei agency said. "The enemy is anxious to shorten the war by launching a reckless direct attack against Japan's mainland in the near future," he said.

S.C. Candidates

REGINA, March 9.—(C.P.)—A. J. Miller of Regina Wednesday night was nominated as Social Credit candidate for Moose Creek federal constituency at a Gull Lake convention. He is the second Social Credit candidate chosen in Saskatchewan, the other being J. Evans, for North Battleford.

Memorial Plan

LONDON, March 9.—(C.P.)—A suggestion that Trafalgar Square be redesigned as a national memorial with a plot of ground devoted to each of the Dominions has been made by Lord Winter. There is a widespread feeling that memorials should be of use to the living as well as a reminder to the dead and there probably will be few of the cenotaph-type memorials erected.

Roads to Berlin

Eastern Front: 25 miles (from Seelow, German report).
Western Front: 277 miles (from Remagen, Brussels report).
Italian Front: 544 miles (from Reno river).

Dock Strike Ends

LONDON, March 9.—(C.P.)—Approximately 10,000 dockworkers and stevedores returned to their jobs in the port of London today after a nine-day strike.

Weather

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North Bay	38	3	Saskatoon	32	5	
White River	38	9	Pr. Albert	30	4	
Port Arthur	40	2	N. Battleford	30	9	
Kenora	33	13	S. Current	36	22	
Winnipeg	30	22	Med. Hat	45	22	
Brandon	30	12	Leduc	44	27	
The Pas	27	2	Calgary	41	24	
Minneapolis	31	18	Edmonton	42	15	

THE FORECASTS

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair to dry and Saturday with not much change in temperature.

Manitoba—Generally fair and moderately cold tonight and Saturday.

Prairie Provinces—Partly cloudy today and Saturday with much the same temperature.

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Yanks Pouring Troops Across Rhine Bridge

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the west bank of the Rhine near Emmerich, 55 miles north of the Ruhr.

The British, Berlin said, were moving up to the river behind a great smoke screen in preparation for a full-scale crossing into the northwestern German plain.

German broadcasts and heavily-censored field dispatches from the Rhine left little doubt that the payoff battle for the western war has been joined.

3RD ARMY READY

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's American Third Army appeared on the verge of striking for a crossing at the Rhine near Coblenz, and the rain of shells plunging into the Ruhr indicated strongly that the Ninth Army too was ready to join the march on Berlin.

Salvo after salvo crashed down into the river towns of Duisburg, Muelheim, Oberhausen and other points where a crossing might be made, while longer-ranged guns reached a dozen miles or so beyond the river to blast the sprawling arms factory plants of Essen and Gladbeck.

The American First Army was pumping a great flow of men and armor across the Rhine at Remagen in a bid to exploit the chance capture of the Ludendorff bridge before the Germans could rally in force.

GERMANS FUMBLE

After a 48-hour blackout in which practically all details of the crossing were kept secret to capitalize on the obvious German confusion, headquarters revealed that the American Ninth Armored Division had taken the Rhine bridge.

The Americans swept down on the bridge from the west Wednesday afternoon. Panicky German rear guards fumbled the planned dynamiting of the bridge and fled back across the river, leaving the double-track railway span intact.

The first troops across the bridge seized the river town of Erpel and fanned out to the east, north and south against light resistance that apparently had stiffened only slightly by mid-afternoon today—48 hours later.

SMASHING AT LINZ

German spokesmen said the Americans were battering at the gates of Linz, two miles southeast of the bridge and tacitly admitted another column had driven two miles north to Linz. That town, one Berlin commentator said, had been "re-captured."

In an almost-incredible stroke of fortune that apparently caught one of Germany's most vulnerable invasion gates completely unguarded, the Americans were across the Rhine in force and over-running towns and villages on the east bank against relatively weak opposition.

Berlin military spokesmen, railing angrily at the "accident" that left the Ludendorff bridge wide open for a crossing, said vanguards of the American Army already were at the gates of Linz, two miles southeast of Remagen.

The Nazis said German troops were counter-attacking furiously north of Linz and at other points around the menacing salient jutting into the southern flank of the industrial Ruhr basin some 25 miles southeast of Cologne.

Heavily-censored British United Press front dispatches revealed, however, that Nazi resistance still was weak all along the assault arc and that the Rhine bridgehead was solidly established.

HIGH GROUND TAKEN

High ground overlooking the river from the east was in American hands and the bridgehead was described officially as beyond the reach of German light artillery—a range of about four miles.

Allied headquarters clamped a strict security blackout on the Rhine crossing and refused to confirm the German account of the capture of the Ludendorff bridge.

British United Press war correspondent C. R. Cunningham intimated strongly in a field dispatch that the Americans had won the bridge by a lucky chance that might alter the course of the war.

LUCKY OVERSIGHT

German spokesmen said bitterly that 170-year-old bridge at Remagen "accidentally had not been destroyed" by Nazi engineers—an oversight that indicated the spreading disintegration of the German Rhineland armies.

Their entire Rhineland front was caving in under the blows of four Allied Armies and the hinterland itself was in peril from the new breakthrough. With the double-tracked Ludendorff bridge in American hands, the First Army was in position to throw its heaviest guns and armor into the attack.

Still another crossing appeared imminent a few miles south of Remagen, where armored units of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's American Third Army were loose on the

Yanks Pouring Troops Across Rhine Bridge

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the west bank of the Rhine, menacing the Coblenz and Engers bridges.

CANADIAN ARMY GAINS

In the north, the western and southwestern shoulders of the German pocket on the west bank of the Rhine were caving in under terrific pressure by United Kingdom and Canadian troops.

German field guns and multi-barrelled mortars on the east bank of the Rhine poured a murderous drumfire into Gen. H. D. G. Crerar's Canadian First Army, but late dispatches said the enemy was being squeezed back slowly through the Wesel escape hatch.

Nanien, six miles west of Wesel and one of the strongest points in the German salient, was captured by United Kingdom troops and Canadian infantry took Alpen seven miles southwest of Wesel. United Kingdom vanguards advanced more than a mile along the Rhine bank east of Wesel to the Mingwitz and Berk.

OPPOSITION LIGHT

The thin trickle of official information emerging from the blacked-out First Army front made it clear, however, that the Germans still had been unable to check the American crossing of the Rhine and that Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' men were advancing eastward against surprisingly light opposition.

British United Press War Correspondent C. R. Cunningham revealed that a First Army second lieutenant led a small force of Americans across the Rhine shortly before midnight Wednesday after a hurried reconnaissance had uncovered a weak link in the German defence.

Military security prevented disclosure of the method used to cross the river, but Cunningham said the young officers took the decision on the spot and rushed an entire company over to the east bank.

EXPLOIT BREACH

Word of the crossing was flashed back and in a matter of hours supporting units were rushing up to exploit the unexpected breakthrough.

Other censored accounts from the breakthrough front said the Germans still had not been able by mid-day today to muster enough armored and infantry reserves to counter-attack. British United Press correspondent Ronald Clark reported that the bridgehead this morning was double its initial size and expanding rapidly on all sides.

At headquarters, correspondents were permitted only to say that the bridgehead had been pushed out to a point beyond the range of the German army's light 77-millimeter artillery—a distance of 7,000 yards or about four miles.

ELECTRIFIES ARMIES

Word of the break-through spread with electrifying effect through the ranks of Allied armies battering against the Rhine on a 110-mile front from Coblenz north to the Dutch border.

It sent the four armies surging forward with new power and fury all along the battle line and field dispatches indicated the few remaining German pockets west of the Rhine were collapsing.

Hundreds of wearied, dejected Germans surrendered without a fight to the First Army forces on both sides of the Rhine crossing, and were permitted to wander back unguarded to prison enclosures deep inside the American lines.

BONN NEARLY CLEARED

The spreading disintegration of the Nazi armies was pointed out by the fact that the prisoners apparently were coming from a multitude of jumbled units all thrown in piecemeal.

A dozen miles north of Remagen, another crossing attempt appeared to be in the making at the university city of Bonn. First Army infantry cleared practically the entire city by daybreak today after a 24-hour street battle and broke through to the west bank

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LEADS NEW ARMY—A new United States 15th Army commanded by Lt. Gen. Leonard Gerow, above, has gone into action on the western front. It was announced today. The 15th Army is a part of the 12th Army group under Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley. Bradley's command also includes the United States First and Third Armies. Gerow formerly commanded the First Army's Fifth Corps in Normandy.

PORTSMOUTH, O., March 9.—(AP)—The Ohio valley appeared last night to be winning its fight against a disastrous flood from the rain-fed Ohio river and its tributaries.

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2 New Battleships With Pacific Fleet

NEW YORK, March 9.—(C.P.)—Fifteen powerful warships are serving with the British Pacific and East Indies fleets, including two of the Royal Navy's newest battleships. The new battleships are the Howe, described as the flagship of Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, and the King George V, both 35,000-tonners.

Meanwhile, U.S. Third Army tanks were exploiting the breakthrough to the Rhine north of Coblenz.

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King Declares Bracken Afraid To Enter House

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party. He recalled that Mr. Bracken in his broadcast Wednesday night had charged that Mr. King was afraid to meet the electorate, that he was trying to extend the life of parliament.

"If there is any man in Canada who has always insisted that the people must not be deprived of their right to an election," said Mr. King, "it is myself. I have said time and again that we can't have an election too soon after the deciding battles of the war are fought. The only reason an election has been delayed has been to protect the rights of the men at the front. The policy of the government has been based always on what will be most in the interests of the men fighting for freedom. It is possible now that the war will end so that we can have a general election soon."

STRANGE SITUATION

"It is a pretty strange thing," went on Mr. King with more than usual passion evidenced in his voice, "to have a gentleman who is afraid—a gentleman who is the political leader of his party—afraid to enter parliament, to offer himself as a candidate for parliament, saying that the government is afraid to meet the electorate."

"Mr. Bracken, as the leader of a political party, has been shown every possible courtesy by this government. He was shown special courtesy in his trip overseas—not as a right, but as a courtesy. The British government takes no official notice of leaders of a political party, of every Tom, Dick and Harry who may set up as leaders of a political party. But every courtesy was extended by this government of mine to Mr. Bracken."

It was at this point that a newspaperman said semi-jocularly, that he inferred therefore that Mr. Bracken would not be chosen on the delegation to San Francisco and Mr. King replied they could depend on it that anyone who goes will be a representative of parliament and not a representative of some political party.

WON'T EXTEND HOUSE

"We have never had any intention," pursued Mr. King, "of extending the life of parliament. I would oppose it. Some people keep circulating reports from 'high authority' that the government intends to extend the life of parliament. I wish I could find out who these 'high authorities' are—they are straw men put up so that Mr. Bracken can make the kind of speech he did Wednesday night."

"Will a representative of the CCF be named on the delegation?" asked a Toronto newspaperman.

"The delegates will include members of the opposition," replied Mr. King, "those who are not for us are against us and those who are against us are the opposition."

The newspaperman reiterated his question and Mr. King again said he would not give the names until they were presented to parliament. "They will be," he said, "from among those who have governed themselves opposed to government policies in some way."

TO SEE ROOSEVELT

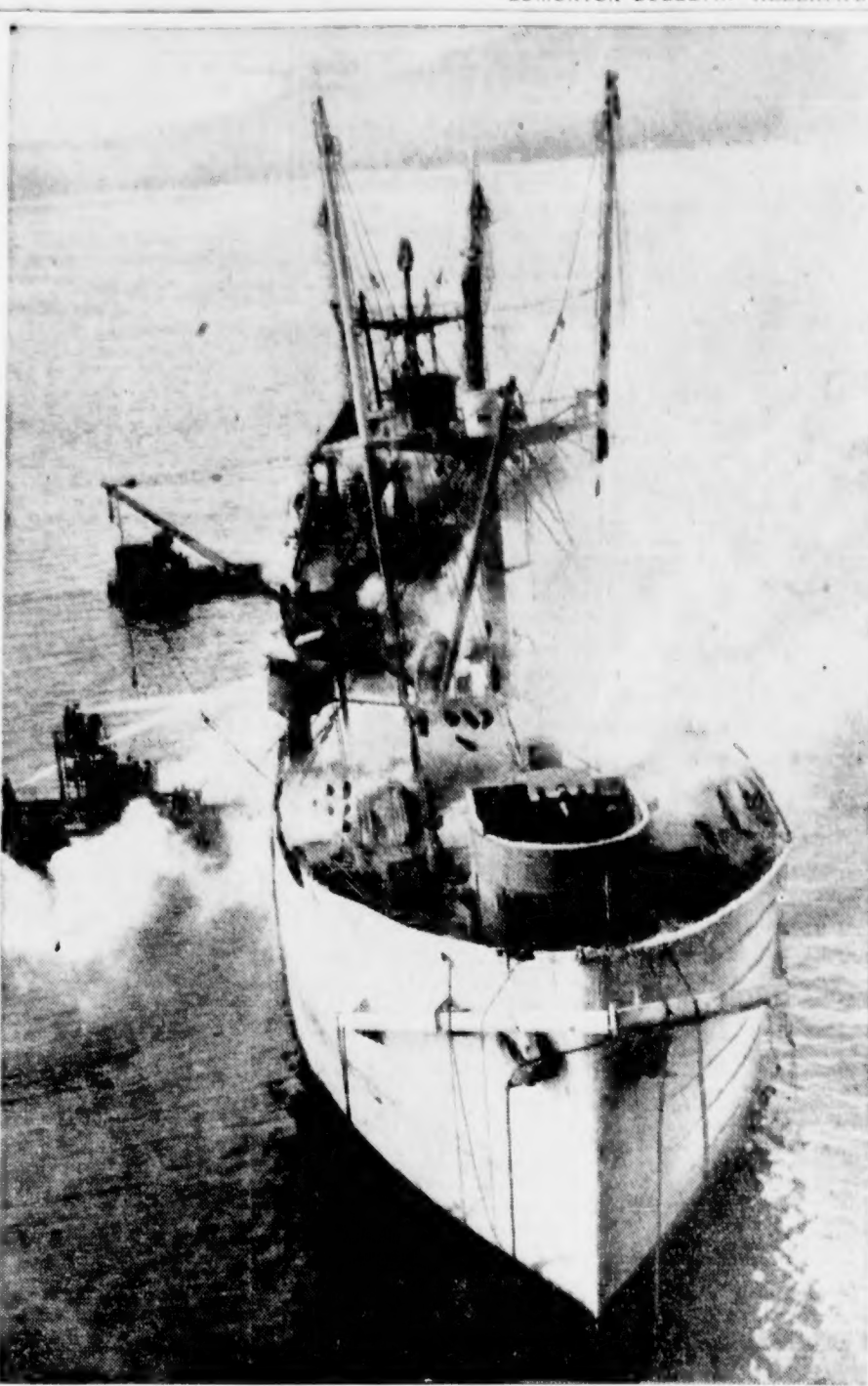
Mr. King summoned the press gallery just 25 minutes before his train left for Washington where he said, he has been invited to spend a night with the President and discuss the Yalta conference and the coming San Francisco conference.

It was a rapid-fire interview, packed full of Mr. King's own type of statesmanship, spiced with political hotshots, and lasting not more than 10 minutes. In the brief minutes was packed more news than the Prime Minister has given out since the historic short session of parliament last November.

The Prime Minister opened the crowded press conference by stating mildly that he was leaving at 4 p.m., on invitation of Mr. Roosevelt to spend Friday night at the White House. He said that before the American President had left for Yalta, he had expressed to the Canadian ambassador, Hon. Lester B. Pearson, a desire to see Mr. King personally when he returned, and repeated this on his return, saying he would like to confer with Mr. King also on matters involved in the coming San Francisco conference.

ATTACKED BY CRITICS

Mr. King recalled that some of his critics had attacked him saying he had taken a long time to an-



—Courtesy of Vancouver Sun.

GAMBLE WITH DEATH—With no assurance that another and more disastrous explosion might not occur at any moment, firemen aboard the Vancouver City fire boat, J. H. Carlisle and the North Vancouver fire barge continued to fight the blazing inferno aboard the SS Greenhill Park, as the big freighter, shown above, was being towed out of Vancouver harbor Tuesday following an explosion which took a toll of several lives and injured more than a score of persons.

Forms Prove "Confusing"

10,000 "John Does" in Canada

REGINA, March 9.—(CP)—Health Minister Claxton said in an address last night that an astonished Prices Board had found at the start of rationing that there were 10,000 "John Does" in Canada. The minister described the form on which applications for family allowances would be made and said that Ottawa was aware that even the simplest form might sometimes be read in error. The Prices Board, when applications first were being made for ration books, sent out sample forms in its publicity, showing the forms filled out in the name of "John Doe."

And then 10,000 "John Does" applied for ration books," he said. During the registration for family allowances in Prince Edward Island, just completed, one form was returned with question marks in the space for the names of children. There was added "twins," and the reply to the question of date of birth was "July 1, 1945."

points on foreign affairs have been the same, certainly the same on the question of world security. Mr. King went on to say that it is British practice to choose delegates to such conferences, not from political groups, but from individuals representing various points of view. To attempt to name a delegate from every political group would mean there would never be an end to it. "Some members of the opposition will be named," went on the Prime Minister, and that was as far as he would go. "Will they go only as observers?" asked a newspaperman. "They won't be observers but advisers," replied Mr. King emphatically.

The Prime Minister then announced that during his temporary absence—he expects to return about next Tuesday night—Hon. T. A. C. Crerar, the minister of mines and resources, will be acting president of the council; Hon. J. L. Isley, minister of finance, will be acting prime minister; and Hon. Louis Stephen St. Laurent, minister of justice, will be acting minister of external affairs.

PREMIER'S VIEWPOINT

"My feeling," said Mr. King, "is that these delegates should be those members in the House of Commons who have taken the responsibility of opposing the policies of the government generally—not, of course, on foreign affairs since generally our view-

Marine Division Makes Two Gains

By VERN HAUGLAND

GUAM, March 9.—(AP)—Front line dispatches disclosed today that the United States 3rd Marine Division has reached the cliff top overlooking the northeast beaches of two and the 5th Marine Division has shot an enveloping arm 1,000 yards up the northwest shore.

The disclosures followed a navy communique announcing only small gains Thursday on the third day of an all-out push so bitterly contested that the Marines had to call on tanks to operate in unfavorable terrain as support.

The front line dispatches amplified reports of these gains, placed the 3rd Division at the edge of cliffs only 300 yards from the beach. The cliffs are honeycombed with dugouts in which machine guns and possibly heavier weapons bar the precipitous path down to the surf.

Dies Suddenly

WINNIPEG, March 9.—(CP)—Former member of the Winnipeg City Council and school board, W. A. Cuddy, 54, died suddenly at his home here last night. Native of Winnipeg, he was engaged in law practice.

U.S. Will Drop Canol Project By June 30th

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view to making preliminary reports possibly before termination of operations.

WARTIME PROJECT

The \$134,000,000 project designed to make oil from deposits at Fort Norman, N.W.T., available for the forces in Alaska and the North Pacific area, was launched when it was feared the Japanese might cut north-south supply lines by sea. It consists of a crude oil pipeline from Norman Wells to Whitehorse, Yukon, a refinery at Whitehorse, and products distribution pipelines from Skagway, Alaska, to Whitehorse, down the Alaska highway at Watson Lake and up the highway to Fairbanks.

The external affairs statement said:

"When the project was started it was provided that at the conclusion of the war the crude oil pipeline and the refinery would be appraised at their then commercial value by appraisers appointed by Canada and the United States."

"The Canadian government was given the option to purchase this part of the property at such appraised value and if it did not exercise the option the property could be sold to any other bidder at not less than the appraised value."

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"Should the pipeline and refinery be used at any time for commercial purposes it was agreed that they would be subject to such regulations and conditions as the Canadian government might consider it necessary to impose in order to safeguard the public interest. In no event could the project be dismantled except upon the advice of the Canada-United States permanent joint board on defence."

"Under the recent exchange of notes it is provided that operations may be terminated by the United States at any time. In addition it is agreed that the products distribution pipelines shall be evaluated by the appraisers as well as the crude oil pipeline and the refinery."

"It is further provided that appraisal shall be initiated within a reasonable time following notice of termination of operation of the Canol project or a major part thereof and completed as soon as practicable."

COMMERCIAL VALUE

"The facilities will be evaluated at their commercial value as of the time of the completion of the appraisal. Thus the appraisal and disposal of the system need not await the termination of the war. The two governments have agreed to appoint representatives at an early date in order jointly to inspect the property, collect information, and make preliminary reports relating to evaluation as early as practicable and if possible prior to the termination of operations."

"The United States war department has announced that the production of petroleum at Norman Wells, the operation of the crude oil pipeline to Whitehorse and the refinery at Whitehorse will be discontinued by June 30."

"It is stated that this decision was reached because of anticipated improvement of the tanker situation as well as the greatly improved military position of the Alaskan area supplied by the refinery in the light of progress in the Pacific war."

Maj. Gen. W. W. Foster, special commissioner for defence projects in northwest Canada, confirmed the announcement from Ottawa and gave out a statement similar in content to the Ottawa announcement. Gen. Foster said that approximately 700 to 800 Canadian civilians will be affected by the U.S. de-

cision. These are employed at the refinery in Whitehorse or in maintenance on the pipeline.

He also said that most of these Canadians would replace Americans now required in maintenance work and other projects in connection with the Alaska Highway.

He added, however, that the announcement "does not change the status of the Imperial Oil Company's refinery at Norman Wells which supplies the Mackenzie area or the Canadian government's exploratory program."

Officials at the offices in Edmonton of the Imperial Oil Ltd. Canol Project and Norman Exploration stated Friday:

"We are in no position to make

a statement at the present time concerning the future of our Canol operations."

HAD CONTRACT

Imperial Oil Ltd. had a contract with the United States government for locating and drilling wells in the Norman field to yield a certain amount of crude oil for the Canol pipe line.

A fairly large office staff is maintained in Edmonton with many additional employees in the Fort Norman oil fields.

Standard Oil of Alaska have a contract for piping the oil to Whitehorse and refining the crude product at the refinery there.

It is estimated that from 2,500 to

2,000 personnel is employed at the present time in the Canol operation. At the height of construction as many as 20,000 persons worked on the great northland oil project.

New Employment Service For Vets

MONTREAL, March 9.—(CP)—A new casualty employment service said to be the first of its kind in Canada will soon be opened at the Veterans' Affairs office here. Twelve specially trained men, all amputation casualties of this war, and the First Great War, will interview men handicapped by the loss of limbs and find them suitable employment.

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TCA to Use Big Trans-Continental Planes After War

WINNIPEG, Man., March 9.—The airplanes to be used in Canada after the war for the main trans-continental service will be over four times the size of the present TCA planes, John T. Dymont, superintendent of engineering, TCA told members of the Lions' club at a meeting Thursday in Winnipeg. Weighing almost 80,000 pounds against the present 20,000, they will be driven by four engines, instead of two, have a maximum cruising speed of over 300 m.p.h., carry 44 passengers, and have sleeper accommodation, he stated. Mr. Dymont said that oxygen masks would be unnecessary when flying at high altitudes.

A French railroad experimented with rubber wheels for its rolling stock prior to the war.

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Sufficient Unto the Day

Mr. Donald Gordon, chairman of the
Prices Board, says we will have to do some
more belt-tightening—in the figurative
sense. He didn't go into particulars, but
pointed out that since the Allies undertook
to de-Hitlerize Europe they are bound to
make a job of it, and Canada must do its
share. This involves supplying the liberat-
ed peoples with an unpredictably large
amount of common necessities, during this
present year of 1945. As civilian goods
production is already restricted, the mean-
ing of this is that we in Canada—like peo-
ple in the other un-bombed Allied coun-
tries—should be content with so much as
we really require. Excess buying, whether
from panic or greed, would intensify and
prolong destitution among the Nazi vic-
tims.

Grab-buying could of course be prevent-
ed by extending the ration system to in-
clude dozens of items now on the free list.
But that would be cumbersome and costly
from the administrative standpoint, and
make the coupon nuisance more aggravat-
ing to the consumer. The simpler, cheaper
and more convenient way to keep the home
demand down to the actual consumption
basis is for each person to buy no more
of any necessary commodity than he re-
quires for immediate needs.

Mr. Gordon believes that the Canadian
people have what it takes to ration them-
selves to the point of common sense buy-
ing, in view of the hunger and misery
which they know prevails in the distress-
ed countries and which Canada is bound in
honor and neighborliness to help relieve.

The Last Line

The Rhine is Germany's second—and
last—line of defence on the west. The
first line, of supposedly impregnable fort-
resses, has crumbled. The river barrier is
now under attack. Beyond there is no cross-
country mountain range or other natural
obstacle behind which a formidable de-
fence system could be organized. The
Rhine, like the Oder in the east, is the last
hurdle nature planted on the road to Ber-
lin.

How heavily the river-line has been for-
tified in the rear, how many of the fortifica-
tions have survived the bombing attacks,
how strongly the position has been man-
ned, are questions which only the event
will answer. As the Siegfried forts were
supposed to be invulnerable, it may be sur-
mised that no comparable net-work of
strongholds was constructed east of the
Rhine. If this is so, our forces will have
only an improvised defence-system to deal
with once they cross the river in strength.

One weakness of the Rhine as a barrier
became apparent at once. It is too close to
the factories in the Ruhr and the mines
from which these draw supplies. Allied
guns from the west bank have been shell-
ing both factories and mines for days,
while these targets are only practice runs
from the bomber bases in England.

With our guns and planes hammering
enemy positions all along the opposite bank,
the river itself is no insurmountable ob-
stacle. The 1st American Army is already
moving across. The others will move over
when they get ready.

One of the Horrors

There seems to be some confusion about
the military status of one Frank Sinatra,
alleged by certain youthful admirers to be
a singer.

In December, 1943, we are informed,
Sinatra was rejected for military service
by a draft board because he had a punctured
ear drum, an injury which might ex-
plain a lot of things.

Now, recalled for re-examination, the
croucher apparently has been excused finally
on the ground that he is essential to the
war effort in his present work.

With this verdict we are in hearty ac-
cord. Mr. Sinatra is undoubtedly one of
those persons who do a great deal to re-
concile members of the armed forces to
service in the far corners of the earth—
the further the better.

In other words, the gentleman, so we
adduce from the verdict, typifies one of
the horrors of civilian life and, by contrast,
one of the attractions of the service life.

Family Stability

Family allowance payments are to start
in July, and it is expected that during the
following year the payments made to peo-
ple living in the three prairie provinces will
total about \$54,000,000. This money will
be ear-marked. Parents must use it to edu-
cate and take care of their children. None-
theless it will be an increase in the family
income, and will leave more of other in-
come available to meet other family ex-
penses. Directly the children will benefit,
but indirectly the family position will be im-
proved as much as though the father earned
the extra money at his trade or in his
business.

This huge sum is to be added to the
gross annual incomes of people on the
prairies whether crops happen to be good

or bad, prices high or low, business brisk or
sluggish. It represents an increase not
dependent upon the conditions of the time
and not affected by fluctuations in the re-
venue from farm and other production. The
benefit will go where it is most needed, to
families with small incomes; for while the
allowances will be paid to rich and poor
alike, the rich will have to hand back the
bulk of the money through income tax-
ation.

The broad fact is that taxation is to be
used to redistribute the national income,
and \$54,000,000 is the estimated extra
amount which will come, during the first
year, to the smaller-income families in
these three provinces.

The stabilizing influence of thus mak-
ing money go "round and round" regardless
of weather and crops will be particularly
noticeable in seasons when crop returns are
poor in kind or cash value. In such sea-
sons parents will be relieved of the acute
problem of clothing and educating their
children, and can devote their earnings to
maintaining the general-family standard of
living.

Spring must be on the way. The Ohio is
in flood.

The Canadian life insurance officers' association says Newfoundlanders eat the
wrong kind of food to be healthy. Fish-
eaters take notice.

Ten thousand dock workers went on
strike in London because a time clock was
moved. Feeling must be strong in that
quarter that Germany is no longer a men-
ace.

Mr. Anthony Eden says the British
Government has Goebbels and Ribbentrop
on its list of major war criminals. Hitler
and Himmler must be in the super-major
group.

A Rabbi held a Jewish service in the
castle of Dr. Goebbels, near Rheindt. No
doubt it was well attended, but the news
should not have been sent abroad. There
still are Jews in Germany, upon whom the
wrathful Josef can take vengeance.

People in Germany are said to be greet-
ing the Allies with smiles and "Heils" for
Eisenhower. Still, a correspondent may be
wrong in dubbing them hypocrites in the
mass. Some of them likely enough are gen-
uinely glad to see somebody who won't
have them shot if they don't put enough
enthusiasm into the gesture.

Looking Backward

From The Bulletin Files

1895: 50 Years Ago

Telegraphic: Lord Rosebery may resign and retire from public life on account of ill health.
The CPR section house at Regina was destroyed by fire.
At the fall of New Chwang the Chinese left 20,000 dead and dying in and around the town.
There is a serious smallpox epidemic at Hot Springs, Ark.

The death rate in London, Eng., has gone up sharply because of the influenza.

Gen. Benjamin Harrison, ex-president of the United States, is seriously ill.

The Grand Trunk Railway has secured valuable concessions from the United States regarding the shipment of cattle through that country en route to England.

1905: 40 Years Ago

Ottawa—Rat Portage won the first game for the Stanley cup, 9 goals to 3.

D. R. Fraser and Co. is constructing piers in the river to which they will anchor booms to control their logs as these are floated down in the spring.

J. Ross Palmer returned last night from Calgary. A. M. Stewart went to Lacombe today.
Rolf and Kenwood, real estate brokers, have occupied their new premises on Jasper avenue.
London—Reports have reached New Chwang that the Japanese have cut the railway line north of Mukden, and that the Russians are facing a disastrous defeat.

1915: 30 Years Ago

South Edmonton Liberals elected W. W. Prevey president.

Paris. The Supreme Turkish Council is reported to have decided to abandon Constantinople and locate another capital in the interior of Asia Minor.

Alberta boys won both at Edmonton and Saskatoon in the annual debate between the University of Alberta and the University of Saskatchewan.

Paris—The enemy is reported to have sprayed French trenches with burning oil in the Melancourt sector.

The first quota of the 2nd Canadian contingent has been landed in Britain.

1925: 20 Years Ago

Washington—Calvin Coolidge quietly assumed the duties of president for a second term, but the first term for which he was elected to that office. Four years ago he was elected vice-president, but the death of Mr. Harding thrust the responsibilities of the presidency upon him.

Halifax—The arrest in Madrid of the "Spanish prisoner" whose fine penmanship and appealing style has been the admiration of mystified recipients of his letters throughout the world for many years, was reported to the attorney-general's department here, from Washington.

The world shortage of bacon hogs was a topic for discussion at the annual convention of the Alberta Swine Breeders, held yesterday in the arena.

1935: 10 Years Ago

Hon. J. Russell Love, in his budget speech, predicted a deficit of \$699,479 at the end of the coming fiscal year.

Tokyo—The house of peers approved the large military budget in Japan's history, \$142,000,000 and the navy \$154,000,000.

Temperature this morning at Edmonton, 19 below zero.

Geneva—Turkey and Bulgaria are burling charges of warlike preparations at each other, and a general flare-up in the Balkans may result from the outbreak of civil war in Greece.

Answering a stated question, Mr. Justice Ford gave a finding that neither the mayor nor a city commissioner alone has power to dismiss any official, officer, servant or employee of the city.

In lieu of service tax levy, the Provincial government will refund to Edmonton and Calgary \$30,000 each this year. The refund last year was \$45,000.

Today's Text

Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.—Deuteronomy 32:33.

It is the act of a bad man to deceive by falsehood.—Cicero.



SIDE GLANCES—"I'd rather have a hot hand than that war stuff—I'm getting General Patton mixed up here with the battle of Waterloo!"

What Is Canadian Nationality?

By GRANT DEXTER

Mr. T. S. Ewart, of Ottawa, an authority on the involved and technical matter of Canadian nationality, has written a letter to the Winnipeg Free Press, published in its correspondence columns recently, correcting statements made regarding the refusal of some employers in Winnipeg to hire returned soldiers of German name.

Mr. Ewart undoubtedly is right in saying that the law recognizes Canadian nationality, but if the point the Free Press had in mind was badly expressed, it nonetheless exists. Legal niceties, notwithstanding, the Canadian Government in fact does not recognize Canadian nationality in the sense that it should be recognized.

In the census and in other ways, our people are denied the right to say "I am a Canadian", and let it go at that. They are required to declare the nationality on their parental side. If their father, grandfather, or earlier ancestor came from England, then they are listed as English; if from Scotland, Scotch; if from Holland, Dutch; if from Germany, German. And so on.

It is true that three statutes recognize nationality: the Naturalization Act, the Immigration Act, and the Nationalities Act. There are conflicts between these statutes which make the true intent of the state difficult if not impossible to understand. But what these statutes deal with in effect is citizenship. Citizens and nationals, in

this sense, are one and the same thing. And, of course, everybody has been aware that there are Canadian citizens.

This, however, is not the point. What is wrong is the refusal of the Government to recognize a Canadian as such and not to bother about his ancestors or seek to perpetuate the idea that he is not a Canadian but a Scotsman or Irishman or Icelandic or German. If a person is a Canadian national, he should be regarded as such—nothing more or less.

It is common knowledge that on the census the answer Canadian is not good enough. You must go back to your paternal immigrant ancestor. For example, the Frasers and Macdonalds of the lower St. Lawrence Valley, whose forebears were Highland soldiers in Wolfe's army, are still listed as Scotch although they are French Canadian in the truest sense. So, equally, of the descendants of the Hessian troops that settled in Quebec or the Irish families which came to Quebec in the famine years a century ago.

The Government should set an example. When employers rule out a returned soldier because his name, let us say, is Schmidt, they are simply reacting the same way as the Government. Mr. Schmidt may be a third or fourth generation Canadian, as native to this country as the maple leaf, but, no—he is branded as a German. The action of the employer is inexcusable but he can plead in his defence that in declaring Mr. Schmidt a German

Edmonton's Wealth Is Her Homes

Free Building Lots for Servicemen Are a Fine Investment

BY HAROLD L. WEIR

Various organizations devoted to the welfare of servicemen and servicewomen have suggested to the Edmonton city council on various occasions that free building lots should be given to those Edmonton members of the armed forces who have served overseas during this war.

This demand has been wide-spread and insistent. Harold L. Weir, tent, but while the city council has not denied its obligation towards these men and women, it has refused, so far, to do any more than offer a discount to service people purchasing city lots for home-building purposes.

I am quite convinced that the members of the council are sincere in their refusal and that they have considered the proposal with the utmost good will. They have arrived at their present conclusion, I believe, not because they object to doing every-

thing possible for members of the armed forces, but because they feel that a free gift of building lots would be an imposition on the taxpayer because those lots, some day, might be sold at a profit. There are some few taxpayers, I understand, who share this view.

The anxiety of the city council to spare the feelings and the purses of taxpayers is, of course, commendable. No matter how wealthy any city might become, it is still an offence against those who are shareholders in the civic corporation to waste or wantonly misuse a single five cent piece.

Therefore, the council's instinct for economy is sound. Its judgment, however, in the manner of effecting this economy, in this particular instance, is totally false.

It is my contention and the contention of The Edmonton Bulletin that if the city not only gave away a lot to every Edmonton serviceman, but built a house on it for him, it would still be effecting a move of sound economy that eventually would save the taxpayer money.

Every new home established in Edmonton is a valuable civic asset. As a matter of fact, homes and families are a city's only lasting assets, because they are the ultimate source of civic revenue. Factories and industries and retail stores pay a large proportion of a city's taxes. But these only exist as homes and families are maintained around them.

The home and the family support every industry and every merchant. The more homes and families, the more industry and the more commerce and the more civic revenue.

That's why I hold it to be an inescapable fact that the establishment of a new home in Edmonton is worth thousands of dollars to the community.

There is a popular delusion that every Edmonton man and woman

who has been serving with the armed forces is going to come back to his or her old neighborhood and settle down in the same niche that he or she left to go to war.

That is not true. There is not the same geographical continuity of family life in Canada as there is in Great Britain, and there will be less after the war. Young people returning from war service, particularly from overseas, will have seen a good deal of Canada and of the world. They will wish to settle, in their new post-war life, wherever they are offered the greatest advantages. Community sentiment will not matter very much to them after they have greeted their families and renewed old acquaintances.

In other words, if Edmonton wants these active young men and women, she will have to fight for them. She will have to offer them something substantial.

And, in the light of the sacrifices they have made, there is nothing unreasonable about that.

There is only one way to anchor a young man in a community. That is by settling him up in a home of his own.

The Edmonton city council, therefore, is in a position to either encourage this establishment of homes and families in this community or discourage it.

The council can either make these young people permanent Edmonton citizens or it can help to drive them to some other community.

Every young man who establishes a home here is worth more money to the city. He and his family and his home become one of the basic civic assets.

One would think that the council and the taxpayers would jump at the chance to create such new assets for their own profit—to say nothing of the act of justice and gratitude involved in such a step.

Travel Scars on Furniture

By CHESTER A. BLOOM

OTTAWA. We were examining the leg broken off our cherished cabinet radio as the husky furniture jugglers bumped around the turn in the stairs with our chest-of-drawers when the junior partner said: Why not use your excellent spare time to write a piece about the thousands of dollars in moving charges invested in these valuable household goods? I guess, she said reflectively, gazing at a deep gouge in the top of her mahogany dressing table, they must be worth their weight in gold.

So I sat down and did some complicated figuring. I was astonished when I added up the travels of our Lanes and Penates. In round numbers, the old chest-of-drawers and bedroom suites, dining room, bath and kitchen junk had galloped around Canada and the United States slightly over 8,000 miles—almost a third around the world.

The boss has a theory that where-

ever you go, if your household goods and gods go with you, you won't be so homesick for the sight of familiar surroundings. A fine, workable theory but I hate to think what it costs him.

By 17 years of experience, we've found that on the average, a move including crating, cartage, storage, railway freight and hotel bills while waiting the snail-like progress of a freight car over half a dozen U.S. and Canadian railways, costs about \$1,000. Sometimes more, sometimes less, but that's about average. So here goes on the moves and mileage:

1928. Calgary to Regina, 475 miles; 1933, Regina to Washington, 2,489 miles; 1935, Washington to Ottawa, 795 miles; 1939, Ottawa to Winnipeg, 1,408 miles; 1940, Winnipeg to Washington, 2,142 miles; 1943 Washington back again to Ottawa, 795 miles.

That figures up to 8,114 miles, and in money, at \$1,000 a move, a total of \$8,000.

Of course, excepting the few odd original pieces, it isn't the same old furniture all the time. The piano gave up the ghost on the fourth move, Ottawa to Winnipeg. The handsome old cabinet victrola metamorphosed into a low-boy type. In turn, the furniture thing, on taxes for 1943, 1942 or even for 1941. The collections are running years behind, where they should be completed within a year at most.

There are 19 taxation districts in Canada and in one alone, Montreal, a million income tax assessments are required annually. These are put into a large storage room and the force of assessors keeps digging into them gradually. This work is slow, even though the force of assessors has been increased from an original personnel of about 1,900 to about 5,000. The same sort of thing goes on in all the tax districts. The officials do their best. They are overworked and scandalously underpaid in many cases. But they are simply snowed under in the blizzard of some 2,000,000 tax returns which the machinery cannot handle.

Another problem is just developing for the unfortunate officials—the farmer of Canada is beginning to pay income taxes. Before the war he seldom was taxable. His income has been swollen by large crops and rising prices and now for the first time thousands of farmers are facing the complexity of income returns and the prospect of paying income taxes. No adequate provision was made for this new business.

smashers transformed it into a cabinet radio, the one now with the broken leg.

As living quarters varied between houses and apartments, and as the boys grew up and went to work or war, the bedroom suites shrank from four to three to two. A folding bed with wheels appeared to roll into the apartment cubicles of Washington. The heavy old oak dining room furniture, vanished and reappeared in lighter form for easier moving. The big electric refrigerator and stove passed out in Washington—we grew tired of lugging them from one storage to another—most houses and apartments now provide their own.

But one article never grows less —brunks. They increased with every move. We could transport the equipment now of a platoon of infantry in trunks at a minute's notice. And junk—we have bedroom and kitchen fixtures and old picture frames and awnings and shades and curtain rods and books and eight or nine dozen glasses, each one different, and battered pots and pans ad infinitum.

The most calamitous move was the one in 1935 from Washington to Ottawa. The jocular Washington transfer company stuffed everything into a freight car, laughingly dumped a load of excelsior over it, lugged it into the crevices and bays of the car godshead. At Ottawa, the debris had to be removed with a pick and rake. It took three months of fighting railways, transfer and insurance companies to compromise the claims.

We have come to feel a deep affection for some of the battle scars. That mended leg of a table—remember the good old days after we moved it to Regina. Ah, that gouge in the polished top of my favorite chest of drawers—what fun in Ottawa after that famous move! And that broken glass over the picture of the youngest son—remember the day he first proudly wore that uniform long since discarded, no doubt, in the mud and dust of Africa, Sicily, Belgium and Germany.

In a game, too, finding the lost casters of the toasterfield wrapped in a white evening scarf, and the missing wheel of the most grunder carefully preserved in the bottom of a tin of precious honey. That reminds me—where in the device did they put the carving knife—must go down and look in the only box I haven't searched yet—that one with the white summer suits the sufferers in Washington summers wear.

Spring Arrives in Cadboro Bay

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

Spring's first port of call in Canada is on Cadboro Bay, outside Victoria, a place remarkable also for the legend of the local sea serpent. There Spring already has landed and has the situation well in hand.

At Cadboro Bay, Spring creates a small beachhead and digs himself in before advancing into Victoria. With his supply lines established, his reinforcements assured, the great march eastward soon begins. Already, I understand, reconnoitering expeditions and patrols have reached the southern flanks of Vancouver but it will be some time yet before the main attack proceeds eastward towards the Rockies and the prairies. It is only a beachhead operation so far, but the process of consolidation is complete. The crisis, as they say in amphibious warfare, is now over. Spring will not be pushed back from his original landing place. From now on the advance will proceed according to plan.

As usual, the complicated movements of Spring will be lost in a smokescreen of propaganda, false optimism among the people of the coast, envious distortions by the people of the prairies. But as one who often (for strategic reasons) has deliberately confused the enemy by exaggerated claims but is an expert in this form of seasonal warfare, I am able to report that the great event has occurred. Spring is here in Canada—a little battered and with some casualties at the point of landing but now

irresistible and growing in strength every day.

The first frail banners of conquest have been unfurled. The snowdrops, little white flags of surrender, which are raised to deceive the defending powers of Winter, have been succeeded by the defiant crocuses, a far-flung network of patrols and scouts which are skilled in the tactics of deception and are able to close up and hide with every passing shower. Now the shock troops are well established, the daffodil spikes, sheathed in green armor and already springing up far behind the enemy lines. With the front thus secured, the more leisurely process of consolidation can proceed.

It is proceeding on all sides. The buds of the wild currants have been swelling for weeks and now show a tiny hand of pink at the edges. The violets have raised purple heads and will soon unfold. On every tree and on the vines of loganberry and grape the buds are expanding almost visibly by day, and in the rock gardens, the best territory for guerrilla warfare, a hundred wind of plants are unlimbering their weapons for the grand assault. In the air campaign the robins, those reliable scouts of spring, have already assembled in overwhelming power, and in submarine warfare the frogs nightly shout the chorus of victory.

Still, an impartial survey of the military situation forces the honest reporter to record that the

decisive battles still lie ahead.

Spring has landed but he sometimes looks about and wonders if his strategic plans are not premature. Cadboro Bay and Vancouver Island and even the misty shores of Vancouver are easy fighting ground. East of them lies the real battlefield. A few yards from the beachhead winter is still in undisputed possession of all Canada. Go up the Fraser river valley a little way and you find no buds sprouting, no stirring in the soil, no sap rising in the trees. The smooth hills of the Dry Belt are brown and seared and in the further Rockies the snow lies deep, the brooks and rills are locked in frost, the green rivers foam through caverns of ice.

Only a brave commander would dare to approach such an enemy. Only the fierce, unconquerable Canadian Spring would try to force the mountain passes and reach the plains beyond. But if the prairie people are beginning to wonder whether relief will ever come, let them take new heart. Spring is no longer a distant hope out of the far tropics. It is here in Canada, it has landed from the western ocean, it is building up its strength with new supplies of sunshine and daylight, and very soon now the advance will be sounded, the ice will retreat from the mountains, the green armies will march across the plains, the grass will thrust itself through the hard earth, and in Winnipeg the accumulated cinders and tin cans of winter will triumphantly sprout from the snow of every back yard. Hong on, therefore, for yet a little while. Rescue is on the way.

Tax Officials Snowed Under

From the Winnipeg Free Press

When asked about delays and confusion in the collection of income taxes, Federal government officials reply that they are unable to give exact information. They simply do not know how far collections are behind or when they are likely to be brought up to date. The complaints against the existing system and its obvious inadequacy are thus confirmed by the officials themselves who, in general, are not in any way to blame. The situation appears, if anything, to be more serious than the public had supposed.

In the first place, it is now revealed that the referee board, which fixes base profits and settles disputes under the excess profits tax, has heard some 1,750 appeals to date. Ottawa officials say they do not know how many other appeals are pending and do not propose to count them. The officials are busy men, with more important work to do.

It was stated in these columns recently that at the present rate of progress it would take many years to dispose of the remainder. This, of course, is true, provided

the former rate of business is not improved. Officials now say that business is going forward more expeditiously and they optimistically predict that the present accumulation of appeals will be disposed of "within a year and a half."

This, apparently, is considered a satisfactory answer to the complaint of businessmen that they cannot find out what they owe to the government. If they will wait a year and a half all of the present appellants will know, by which time, doubtless other appeals will have been filed. Some of the appellants already have waited a long time, not to argue with the government, not to evade taxes, but simply to learn on what base profits their taxes are to be levied. Until they know they cannot budget in their own business, and in many cases they cannot undertake expansion and new investments.

The accumulation of excess profits appeals is merely one example of a general tax policy under which private enterprise assuredly cannot function satis-

factorily in peacetime. This is the time, before we start the task of industrial conversion, when business should know exactly what it already owes in taxes and what is likely to be taxed after the war. Yet this is the time when business cannot find out anything about post-war taxes and is assured that in a year and a half it may get an answer to its long-standing tax appeals.

But, in fact, the situation is worse than that. The excess profits appeals still pending cover only a fraction of the business firms of Canada. They represent grave injustices but only to a limited number of people. The graver injustice, because it is general, arises not in appeals to the referee board but in the general collection of all income taxes, corporate and personal.

This newspaper suggested recently that there is a huge accumulation of unassessed and unpaid taxes in Canada. This must be so, as many taxpayers have yet to find out what they owe, if any-

Official List of Casualties

ARMY OVERSEAS (LIST M-803)

KILLED IN ACTION

Morton, H. C. J. Major, Winnipeg.
Caulley, R. F. Lt. Kingston, Ont.
O'Meara, Edmund W. R. Lt. Mrs.
Florence M. O'Meara (mother), 611
15th St. N. Lethbridge, Alta.

DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED

Langford, G. R. Lt. Chatham, Ont.
Crofton, D. G. Lt.-Col. Ganges, B.C.
Fugh, D. V. Major, Oliver, B.C.

SEVERELY WOUNDED

Don, Clifford S. Lt. Toronto.
Mitchell, D. W. Lt. Greenfield Park,
Que.

WOUNDED

Burge, T. A. Lt. Vancouver.
Whitton, Charles E. Lt. Toronto.
Fever, F. R. Lt. Woodstock, N.B.

WOUNDED, REMAINING ON DUTY

Walker, W. A. Capt. Canora, Sask.
Heller, Herbert D. Lt. Toronto.

WARRANT OFFICERS, NCOs, MEN

Killed in Action
Finnigan, J. J. Tpr. Brnoa, Korea.
Francis, G. A. Tpr. Vancouver.
Lancaster, J. B. Tpr. Hanover, Ont.

WOUNDED AND MISSING—NOW

Allen, S. A. Lt.-Col. Russell, Man.
Died of Wounds
Lamontagne, R. Cpl. Sherbrooke, Que.
MacDonald, A. H. Sgt. Kureka, N.S.

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MacDonald, A. H. Sgt. Kureka, N.S.
Fatas, Louis, Pte. La Broquerie, Man.
Peterson, M. M. Pte. St. Boniface, Man.
Stays, Mayes, Pte. Winnipeg.
Zentner, W. J. Pte. Langerburg, Sask.

REMOVED TO HOSPITAL

Benbow, William M. Pte. M100810.
Mrs. Margaret J. Benbow (wife),
1674 126 St. Edmonton.

DANGEROUSLY WOUNDED

Brund, S. Sgt. Alexandria, Ont.
Forrest, C. P. Gnr. Victoria.
Simmons, J. P. Gnr. Galt, Ont.

WOUNDED

Adams, G. W. Pte. Alton, Ont.
Cowan, H. R. Pte. Kingston, Ont.
Pretoriano, Guy, Sgt. Hyacinthe, Que.
Sutherland, W. R. Rtn. Sydney Mines,
N.S.

DIED OF WOUNDS

Goodwin, L. G. Pte. Saint John, N.B.
Knowles, D. P. Pte. Bathurst, N.B.
Kozachuk, Mike, Pte. Edmonton, Man.
Barriscale, R. J. Pte. Vancouver.
Basque, John A. R. Lt.-Col. Dalhousie,
N.B.

WOUNDED

Moore, Alfred, Pte. Madison, Sask.
West, Hubert H. Cpl. Moose Jaw, Sask.
Dean, Fred, Pte. M103013, Mrs. An-
gelina E. Dean (mother), Grassby
Lake, Alta.

WOUNDED

Perkins, John, Sgt. M56632, Mrs.
Mabel F. Perkins (mother), Chau-
vin, Alta.

WOUNDED

Talbot, T. H. Pte. M104372, Mrs.
Martha Bell (sister), Eyremore,
Alta.

WOUNDED

Theroux, Paul J. M. J. Pte. M107383,
Mrs. Theroux (mother),
Vegreville, Alta.

WOUNDED

Martin, C. J. Tpr. Westmont, Que.
Cade, Edgar L. CSM. Sarnia, Ont.
Caird, Donald, Pte. Brantford, Ont.

WOUNDED

Gosse, A. Pte. Wilkewick, Ont.
Dussault, R. L. Pte. Hemmingford, Q.

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Boyes, T. M. Bdr. Gaspe Harbour, Que.
Stone, I. H. Gnr. Moose Jaw, Sask.

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Ward, Donald R. Gnr. Vancouver.
Crawford, Robert W. Pte. Toronto.
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BURMA BATTLEFRONT—British troops, mostly armored Indian forces of the 14th Army, have gained a spectacular success in Burma which has resulted in the capture of Meiktila, 80 miles south of Mandalay, which has been broken into by Punjabi troops of the 19th Indian Division, jeopardizing the existence of a Japanese army of 30,000 that has been defending Mandalay. All escape southward to Rangoon has been cut off and the Japanese will have to withdraw eastward to Keng Tung near the border of French Indo-China. Meiktila, Mandalay and Keng Tung are located on today's map of the Burma front.

McCoy Health Service

Nervousness is commonly produced partly by mental or emotional causes, but in addition to these, there are certain physical causes capable of helping to induce nervousness, with its varied assortment of symptoms.

Some of the possible physical causes include eyestrain, hemorrhoids, prolapse and pelvic disorders. The patient suffering from eyestrain, for example, is likely to exhibit many of the symptoms of nervousness, which will fail to yield to treatment until the eyes are properly fitted with glasses. Hemorrhoids, or piles, are also capable of inducing marked nerve symptoms, which will not disappear until this physical cause is removed.

Protrusion, or sagging of the abdominal organs, is often productive of noticeable nervous symptoms, especially in women because of the pressure of the sagging organs upon the delicate nerve of the pelvic region.

While the symptoms complained of by a group of nervous patients are so many and varied that they would fill a large book, one of the most prominent symptoms generally mentioned is a tired feeling. These patients may complain of feeling tired or worn out after light activity, or may say they are tired in the mornings, even after a night's rest. This feeling of fatigue is almost universally found among patients seeking relief from nervousness.

Other common symptoms are insomnia or the inability to sleep, headaches, shifting aches and pains in the muscles, trembling of the legs, shortness of breath, coldness of the hands and feet, excessive perspiration, which is especially likely to cause the hands to sweat during excitement or strain, and a rapid beating or pounding of the heart.

In addition, there may be that sense of inner disturbance best described by the popular term, "jitters."

One point generally not understood by the nervous patient is that his nerves are strong, just as strong as those of anyone else. There is no evidence to believe that the nervous patient is suffering in any way from "worn-out" nerves. The nerves of the nervous patient are just as strong, are in just as good working condition, as

Farmer Income Taxes Are Paid Mainly in West

By CHESTER BLOOM

Edmonton Bulletin Ottawa Bureau
OTTAWA, March 9.—In the calendar year 1943, 6,930 farmers of Manitoba paid estimated income taxes totalling \$2,079,000, while 7,682 farmers of Saskatchewan paid \$2,307,000, and 3,135 farmers of Alberta paid \$940,500.

These figures were given out yesterday by the minister of national revenue, as comment on the recent Financial Post articles concerning alleged income tax super-payments by Saskatchewan farmers.

The combined total of the prairie farmers estimated income tax payments in the calendar year 1943 thus were \$5,086,500 or more than two-thirds of the total of \$7,245,900 of all the estimated income taxes paid by all Canadian farmers in that year.

DISPARITY UNEXPLAINED

No explanation is given by the department for the much greater payments made by Manitoba and Saskatchewan farmers than in the more populous provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

A total of 3,221 Ontario farmers,

the nerves of the person untroubled by a nervous disturbance. Let you who are "bundles of nerves" take heart from this—your nerves are strong, healthy, intact. Try to get this picture of the nerves being normal in every way and probably you will derive an immense amount of reassurance and help from a picture of that kind.

All questions regarding health and diet will be answered. Large stamped, self-addressed envelope must be enclosed. Write on one side of paper only. Letters must not exceed 150 words. Address: McCoy Health Service, The McCoy Building, 1151 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

Dumb Bells



according to Mr. Gibson's figures, in 1943 calendar year, paid \$966,300 while in Quebec only 452 farmers paid income taxes amounting to \$135,600 in the same year.

It has been previously explained, however, by departmental employees that the probable reason is that the prairie farmers farm on a larger scale than the Ontario and Quebec farmers, and in Quebec, especially, large families of dependents allow income tax exemptions bringing the taxable income below the line of heavy taxation.

OTTAWA, March 9.—(CP)—

Income tax payments by Canadian farmers for 1944 are expected to exceed \$10,000,000 the revenue department said yesterday in a statement.

For 1943 income 24,153 farmers paid \$7,245,900. This amount may be increased, the department said, when examination is completed of returns made last year, on 1943 income, by 37,360 farmers who declared an income not large enough to be taxable.

Not Molested

PHILADELPHIA, March 9.—(AP)—

Capt. Clara Mueller, army nurse liberated from Santo Tomas internment camp last month, says that "generally speaking," the Japanese did not molest or mistreat interned women.

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Big lustrous collars that frame your face with breath-taking loveliness. The furs include Bleached Wolf and Bleached Fox. The cloths are shown in a grand selection in light plain shades for Spring. Swagger models in the grouping. Grandly tailored coats finely finished, with light satin lining for Spring. Sizes 12 to 20. Priced at

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A thrilling collection of fleecy lustrous shags in light shades for Spring. Bold styled coats with either patch or slash pockets, open vent or full kick pleat at the back. Some have rich velvet collars, others with the evenest Balmacaan or notched collar. Plain cloths in camel hair and wool, alpaca, and velours in fitted and swagger styles with label styled or Balmacaan collars. They are here in a choice range of colors for this bright season. Sizes 12 to 20 in the grouping. Priced at

\$19.50, \$25.00, \$27.50 and \$39.50

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Very small and tender	20 oz. 12¢
Broiler's Choice	20 oz. 13¢
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"Heinz" Condensed Soup	10¢
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Marsh's Seedless GRAPEFRUIT, Size 126	12 to a customer 6 for 26¢
Lettuce, firm heads, each	12¢
Celery, fresh and crisp, lb.	15¢
Mild Table Turnips	3 lbs. 10¢
California Juicy LEMONS, Thin skinned, Very juicy, Size 422, doz.	19¢
Washed Parsnips	3 lbs. 17¢
Best for juice and every use, SUNKIST ORANGES, Size 252, Doz.	33¢
Size 176, Doz.	49¢
Swift's Premium Weiners, lb.	22¢
Swift's Premium Frankfurters, lb.	23¢
Woodward's Delicious FLAKY PASTRY PIES, Chicken or Pure Pork, each	10¢
Veal Ham and Tongue, 4 lb. Luncheon Meat, 4 lb.	25¢ 18¢
Cooking Onions No. 1	10 lbs. 55¢
B.C. Fresh Green Parsley, bunch	10¢
Seville type for your favorite Marmalade, Bitter Marmalade, ORANGES	3 lbs. 25¢
Fresh Green Spinach	2 lbs. 25¢
New Tender Carrots	4 lbs. 23¢
—On the Lower Main Floor	
JELLIED BEEF TONGUE, 4 lb.	21¢
Tasty Potato Salad, lb.	15¢
Cole Slaw	18¢
Garlic Sausage, Fine or Coarse, lb.	21¢

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saving is applied to debt retirement, the entire debt of \$113,200,000 can be wiped out in 33 years, thereby freeing taxpayers of an annual interest burden of approximately \$4,000,000 a year.

INCREASED EXPENDITURE

The budget provides for an increased expenditure of \$2,681,070 on public debt charges, of which \$1,701,700 represents debt retirement and \$989,370 represents interest.

The education department will spend \$255,687 more in the coming fiscal year than it did in the last, while other departments increasing expenditures are public works—up \$208,280 over last year; agriculture—up \$176,896; public welfare—up \$163,263; and treasury, up \$152,340.

Expenditure decreases are provided for in only three departments: agriculture (water resources)—\$100; municipal affairs—\$5,778; and public health—\$18,257. The new department of economic affairs will be voted \$54,566 for preliminary operations. This branch is to be set up by legislation to be introduced at the current session.

Gross value of agricultural products during 1944 has been estimated in the budget at \$407,000,000, compared with \$365,000,000 in 1943.

WHEAT INCREASES

As compared to the previous year, the principal changes in field crops occurred in wheat, which was increased from 1,529,000 acres to 1,738,000 acres. The wheat crop for 1944 totalled 105,700 bushels, compared to 82,800 bushels in 1943. The area seeded to sugar beets was 28,700 acres in 1944, compared to 29,100 acres in 1943. Owing to higher yields, production of beets amounted to 397,000 tons in 1944, compared to 298,000 tons in 1943.

The province established an all-time record in hog production in 1944, marketing 2,981,940 head valued at almost \$79,000,000. Last year's production was valued at approximately \$61,000,000.

Cattle marketings in 1944 were highest since 1936, with a gross value of \$118,000,000, compared with \$92,000,000 marketed in the previous year.

PETROLEUM IS UP

Petroleum production in 1944 amounted to \$14,468,061, a million-dollar decrease from 1943 production. Premier Manning announced, "The reduction was mainly due to a decrease of 885,591 barrels in quantity of oil produced. The Turner Valley field showed the production decline."

Forestry production in 1944 was valued at \$8,800,000, an increase of \$1,700,000 over 1943. Value of coal marketed reached \$27,033,121, an increase of 12.47 per cent over 1943. This valuation is highest in history of the province.

Government insurance office fire insurance policies in force at Dec. 31, 1944, totalled \$47,038,000, an increase of \$12,190,000 during the year. Life insurance in force at Dec. 31 totalled \$1,411,680.

"At Dec. 31 treasury branch deposits, excluding government deposits, totalled \$1,851,652, an increase of \$925,042 over the same date in 1943." Mr. Manning announced. "This outstanding increase is irrefutable evidence of the steadily growing public demand for and use of these facilities." The branches now are serving over 44,000 customers. The depositors' reserve account has been increased during the last year by now stands at \$8,059,500.

PAYMENT IN FULL

Insurers under the hail insurance board plan will receive payment of claims in full. Mr. Manning said. To date, \$399,000 has been paid in respect of 1944 claims, and a balance will be paid March 1, in accordance with provisions of the Hail Insurance Act. The hail board reserve fund at March 31, 1945, will amount to approximately \$830,000, compared to \$671,000 at March 31, 1944.

Since inception of the present hail board plan, a total of 99.98 per cent of all premiums payable have been collected by the board.

During 1944, the Alberta Poultry Producers' Marketing Board marketed over 7,500,000 dozen eggs for 21,000 producers. Poultry marketing totalled more than 4,300,000 pounds, by 14,600 producers.

During the present fiscal year, guarantees totalling \$341,000 were provided to co-operative marketing associations. All the associations assisted by way of guarantees now are fully established, and the loans are fully secured. Statements from 186 associations, including stores, livestock, dairying, grain and poultry groups, reported total sales of \$75,594,409, with assets in excess of \$30,000,000 and a membership of 182,869 for the previous year.

MAY BUILD RESERVOIR

Mr. Manning announced a \$30,000 reservoir in connection with the St. Mary's and Milk River irrigation project may be built this year. The reservoir to be erected will be known as the East Pot Hole Coulee dam. It will be paid for out of post-war reconstruction funds, and will be credited to the province's share of the full St. Mary's-Milk River project, expected to run into \$15,000,000 in the post-war years.

Estimated over-all budgetary requirements and estimated results for the coming fiscal year will be found in Table "B", on this page.

Estimated revenues on income account, listed departmentally, will be found in Table "C", on this page.

Revenues are expected to increase by \$3,087,225 over the previous year, the total revenue being estimated at \$26,054,430.

Main increases in revenue will come from the treasury department \$1,547,050; provincial secretary's department \$373,850; lands and mines department \$554,550; public works department \$360,675; and attorney-general's department \$227,650.

TREASURY BRANCHES

Treasury branch earnings for the 1945-46 year are estimated to be \$160,000.

Total expenditures on income account are estimated to be \$25,254,447.11. The expenditures compare with \$21,137,863 for the present year.

Planned expenditure listed by departments, will be found in Table "D", on this page.

Net increase of expenditure over the 1944-45 year is \$4,116,583.70.

FOR FIELD CORPS

Department of agriculture increases in expenditure total \$176,896, of which \$34,000 is for the field corps branch. An additional \$56,700 is provided for agricultural schools, while a new vote of \$60,000 is to be passed to aid settlers in the Peace River country in construction of dams and ditches to relieve the serious water shortage in that area. The grant to the University of Alberta is increased by \$144,000. Of this amount, \$58,000 is due to transfer of the provincial normal schools to the University.

Trade and industry department appropriations show increased expenditure of \$32,117, which includes a new appropriation of \$14,650 for operation of the Apprenticeship Act passed at last session. Industrial development activity of the department will be speeded up by an increase of \$12,500 in planned expenditure.

Receipts on capital account are estimated to be \$1,157,842 for the coming fiscal year. The total is a net increase of \$167,467 over receipts estimated for the current year.

Details of capital account receipts will be found in Table "E", on this page.

Payments on capital account estimated at \$2,660,109, a decrease of \$473,538 over the previous year. A decrease of \$323,700 under the heading "agriculture department, water resources", is due to transfer of payments for interest and sinking fund requirements to the public debt vote. Another large reduction in capital payment is brought about by a smaller vote for the public works department. Due to difficulty of obtaining materials and manpower, construction work not urgently required is being saved for the post-war period.

Details of capital account payments will be found in Table "F", on this page.

The complete text of Mr. Manning's budget address is below. This is the first occasion on which it has been my privilege to move that you do now leave the chair and that this assembly resolve itself into a committee of supply for the consideration of sums to be granted to His Majesty.

SERIOUS RESPONSIBILITY

In exercising this privilege I assure you and every honorable member of this assembly that I am fully aware of the serious responsibility that attaches to the administration of the financial affairs of this province.

For the past seven years this difficult and arduous task has been faithfully and efficiently discharged by my friend and colleague, the Honorable Solon E. Low, To Mr. Low, on behalf of the government, and on behalf of the people of Alberta, I want to express sincere and unqualified appreciation for the outstanding contribution he made to the good and welfare of this Province during those years in which he served with distinction as Provincial Treasurer, and also as Minister of Education.

He has laid aside those portfolios in order to devote his energies to an even larger field of Public Service—a field in which the interests of this Province are no less at stake.

I have no hesitation in saying that the implementation in the national field of those fundamental principles which he is advocating would do more toward solving permanently the financial problems confronting this and every other province than any other course of action open to the Canadian people today.

IMPORTANT DUTIES

The consideration of the financial affairs of the province and the appropriation of monies for the conduct of public services, undoubtedly is one of the most important duties of this assembly. To enable the honorable members to discharge that duty properly, it is the responsibility of the Government to provide this House with complete and authentic information.

In discharging the duties of provincial treasurer it is my desire and intention to place before the Members of this Assembly, and the people of the province, a true and impartial review of Alberta's financial position, its income and expenditures.

I regard every citizen of this province as a shareholder in Alberta as a corporate state. The honorable members of this Legislature are the directors who have been duly elected by the shareholders whose best interests you are here

to safeguard and to advance. The members of the executive council constitute the administrative body responsible for the directing and supervising of public affairs in accordance with the will of the people as expressed in this Legislature by their elected representatives.

FINANCIAL REPORT

It is with that concept of democratic government in mind that I present my first financial report to this assembly today.

In order to provide the proper background for an intelligent review of the Public Accounts of the Province, may I refer, briefly, to some of the major factors which have an important bearing on our provincial economy.

AGRICULTURE

The gross value of all agricultural products in 1944 is estimated at \$407,000,000, compared with \$365,000,000 in 1943, an increase of \$42,000,000. A larger gross income totalling 7 per cent was obtained from grain, root and fodder crops, while the value of livestock marketings increased by approximately 28 per cent.

As compared with the previous year the principal changes in field crops occurred in wheat, which was increased from 1,529,000 acres to 1,738,000 acres.

The wheat crop for 1944 totalled 105,700 bushels as compared with 82,800 bushels in 1943. Flax acreage declined from 550,000 acres in 1943 to 191,000 acres in 1944. The area seeded to sugar beets was 28,700 acres in 1944 as compared with 29,100 in 1943; but owing to higher yields, the production of beets amounted to 397,000 tons last year as compared with 298,000 tons in 1943. Production in the field of minor crops, including forage crop seed, vegetable seed, canning crops and hay crops, continues to grow in importance.

ALL-TIME RECORD

In 1944 Alberta established an all-time record for Canada in swine production by marketing 2,981,940 hogs, with an estimated value of almost \$79,000,000 compared with 2,392,000 head valued at approximately \$61,000,000 in 1943. Cattle marketings in Alberta advanced to 3,942,257 head. Except for the year 1936, when serious feed shortages forced the liquidation of many herds, the 1944 cattle marketings established a new record for this Province with a gross value of \$118,000,000 compared with \$92,000,000 in the previous year.

Dairy production, both in quantity and value remained substantially the same as in 1943. The amount of milk produced in 1944 was 1,802,900,000 pounds, and was valued at \$35,330,000.

The production of eggs and poultry was valued at \$18,250,600 which was a slight increase over the previous year. The production of honey totalled 5,130,000 pounds valued at \$801,500 which was an increase of 34 per cent over the amount produced the previous year. The quantity of wool shorn in the Province last year was 4,900,000 pounds, valued at \$1,227,400. This was 300,000 pounds greater than in 1943.

While the cash income and the gross agricultural production in 1944 was high, a substantial portion of the South and South-Eastern drought areas of the Province suffered complete, or near complete crop failure, and some forced liquidation of livestock herds has resulted.

PEAK REACHED

Insofar as the accelerated wartime production of livestock products is concerned, it would appear that the peak has been reached and a downward trend already is indicated. All in all the variety and extent of Alberta's contribution to Canadian agriculture continues to grow, and is of increasing importance.

During the past calendar year the farmers of this Province marketed 25 per cent of the total cattle production for Canada, 33 per cent of the swine, 29 per cent of the sheep, and over 10 per cent of the dairy products. Inasmuch as a large proportion of Canada's agricultural production must be disposed of through markets outside of the Dominion, we have a very vital interest in national post-war marketing policies.

The Alberta Government intends to do all in its power to assure the adoption and implementation of post-war marketing policies which will provide the greatest possible measure of stability to Canadian agriculture.

PETROLEUM PRODUCTION

The value of petroleum production for the calendar year of 1944 amounted to \$14,468,061, a decrease of approximately \$1,000,000 from that of the previous year. The total production during the same period totalled 8,788,845 barrels, a decrease of 885,591 barrels from the previous year. This reduction is due primarily to the decrease of the older wells in the Turner Valley field. It is interesting and encouraging to learn that this field has been extended northward during the last year.

The interest that has been shown throughout the Province, both in exploration and drilling, is greater than at any other time in the history of oil development in Alberta. As a result of these exploratory and development programs.

I am convinced that the present volume of production will be greatly exceeded within the next few years.

NATURAL GAS

The natural gas produced in the province has increased greatly in value owing to the fact that new uses have been and are continuing to be found for this gas. In order to conserve this valuable resource the natural gas utilities board was set up by an act of the Legislature, with full power to regulate all produced gas to be delivered to scrubbing plants to be scrubbed and marketed, the excess to be restored to the underground.

It is gratifying to learn that the commercial production of fish has increased considerably over the last five years, with the fish finding a very ready market. The future of

Budget Reflects Condition of Alberta's Finances

TABLE "A"

Province of Alberta
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE INCOME AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 1945-46 AND 1944-45

Particulars	1945-46	1944-45	Increase*
Income Account			
GENERAL REVENUE FUND:			
Revenue	\$26,054,430.00	\$22,967,205.00	\$3,087,225.00
Expenditure	25,254,447.11	21,137,863.41	4,116,583.70
Surplus	\$ 799,982.89	\$ 1,829,341.59	\$1,029,358.70*
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES:			
Revenue	\$ 3,805,000.00	\$ 3,496,000.00	\$ 309,000.00
Expenditure	3,373,300.00	3,165,000.00	208,300.00
Surplus	\$ 431,700.00	\$ 331,000.00	\$ 100,700.00
Total Surplus, Income Account	\$ 1,231,682.89	\$ 2,160,341.59	\$ 928,658.70*

Capital Account

GENERAL REVENUE FUND:			
Receipts	\$ 1,157,842.00	\$ 990,375.00	\$ 167,467.00
Payments	2,660,109.00	3,133,648.00	473,539.00*
Net Payments	\$ 1,502,267.00	\$ 2,143,273.00	\$ 641,006.00*
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES:			
Net Payments	\$ 431,700.00	\$ 331,000.00	\$ 100,700.00

Summary of Amounts to be Voted Under The Appropriation Act

GENERAL REVENUE FUND:			
Chargeable to Income Account	\$25,254,447.11	\$21,137,863.41	\$4,116,583.70
Chargeable to Capital Account	2,660,109.00	3,133,648.00	473,539.00*
	\$27,914,556.11	\$24,271,511.41	\$3,643,044.70
ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES:			
Chargeable to Income Account	\$ 3,373,300.00	\$ 3,165,000.00	\$ 208,300.00
Chargeable to Capital Account	431,700.00	331,000.00	100,700.00
	\$ 3,805,000.00	\$ 3,496,000.00	\$ 309,000.00

AMOUNT TO BE VOTED UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE APPROPRIATION ACT, 1945:

Chargeable to Income Account	\$28,627,747.11	\$24,302,863.41	\$4,324,883.70
Chargeable to Capital Account	3,091,809.00	3,464,648.00	\$ 372,839.00*
	\$31,719,556.11	\$27,767,511.41	\$3,952,044.70

Summary of Estimated Cash Requirements General Revenue Fund

CAPITAL ACCOUNT:			
General Revenue Fund, Net Payments	\$ 1,502,267.00	\$ 2,143,273.00	\$ 641,006.00*
INCOME ACCOUNT:			
General Revenue Fund, Estimated Surplus	799,982.89	1,829,341.59	1,029,358.70*

OVERALL DEFICIT ON INCOME AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT \$ 702,284.11

Statutory:	\$ 313,931.41	\$ 388,352.70
Net Payments	11,180,000.00	525,025.00
Funds required	\$11,892,284.11	\$ 838,956.41
Funds to be provided from Accumulated Income Surplus	\$11,892,284.11	\$ 838,956.41
	\$11,043,327.70	\$11,043,327.70

TABLE "B"

Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1946

The estimated over-all budgetary requirements and the estimated results for the coming fiscal year are summarized as follows:

Total Estimated Revenue—Income Account	\$26,054,430.00
Total Estimated Receipts—Capital Account	\$ 1,157,842.00
Total Estimated Receipts—Income and Capital Account	\$27,212,272.00

This industry appears to be extremely favorable.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Speaker, there are increasing indications that the war is reaching its climax, and the dawn of a victorious peace appears much nearer than it did a year ago. The Government recognizes its responsibilities with respect to the successful conversion of war industries to peace time pursuits.

We recognize, also, that if we are to have economic stability in Alberta following the war, we must do all in our power to foster and encourage the growth of industrial development within our province to the end that our vast resources may be utilized for the good and welfare of our people by a varied production being maintained at the highest possible level.

Furthermore, industrial payrolls in Alberta mean purchasing power retained in our own province for our own people. Additional appropriations for the further encouragement of industrial development and research have been provided in this year's estimates.

May I also refer briefly to some of the more important government enterprises and government assisted business activities which have a bearing upon the general economic development of the province.

GOVERNMENT INSURANCE

The Alberta government insurance office has completed another successful year. Fire insurance policies in force at December 31, 1944, totalled \$47,038,000, an increase of \$12,190,000 during the year.

Life insurance in force totalled \$1,411,680, and new plans of insurance introduced have proved very popular. The operation of the insurance office by the government has tended to reduce rates on fire insurance generally throughout the province, and those who have placed their insurance with our office have benefitted by a considerable saving in premiums.

The gain in business in force during the year is indicative of the increasing support this governmental service is receiving from our people.

TREASURY BRANCHES

I should like to make reference at this point to the excellent progress which has been made during the past year in expanding the

Total Estimated Ordinary Expenditures—Income Account	\$25,254,447.11
Total Estimated Payments—Capital Account	2,660,109.00
Total Estimated Payments—Income and Capital Account	\$27,914,556.11
Estimated Over-all Deficit	\$ 702,284.11

TABLE "C"

Revenue—Income Account

	1945-46	1944-45	Increase	Decrease
Dominion of Canada	\$ 1,835,075	\$ 1,794,810	\$ 40,265	
Agriculture Dept.	154,200	122,163	32,037	
Agriculture Dept. (Water Res.)	3,000	2,000	1,000	
Education Dept.	1,139,375	971,725	167,650	
Executive Council	123,000	170,850		47,850
Lands and Mines Dept.	2,906,225	2,381,675	524,550	
Legislation	1,065	1,065		
Municipal Affairs Dept.	1,302,330	1,359,330		57,000
Provincial Secretary's Dept.	7,139,950	6,766,100	373,850	
Public Health Dept.	478,500	428,100	50,400	
Public Works Dept.	1,507,950	1,147,275	360,675	
Trade and Industry Dept.	117,200	116,300	900	
Treasury Dept.	9,199,880	7,652,810	1,547,070	
	\$26,054,430	\$22,967,205	\$3,087,225	\$104,850

A net increase of \$3,087,225

TABLE "D"

Expenditure—Income Account

	1945-46	1944-45	Increase	Decrease
Public Debt	\$ 6,568,834.00	\$ 3,885,764.00	\$2,683,070.00	\$
Executive Council	332,181.00	316,517.00	15,664.00	
Legislation	265,070.00	252,891.00	12,179.00	
Agriculture Dept.	795,587.00	618,691.00	176,896.00	
Agrie. Dept. (Water Res.) ..	33,050.00	33,150.00		100.00
Attorney General's Dept. ..	874,599.86	846,480.00	28,119.86	
Education Dept.	6,232,167.00	4,097,480.00	525,687.00	
Municipal Affairs Dept.	209,743.00	218,521.00		8,778.00
Prov. Secretary's Dept.	178,656.34	173,669.34	4,987.00	
Public Health Dept.	3,284,941.31	3,303,199.07		18,257.96
Public Works Dept.	3,248,936.00	3,040,656.00	208,280.00	
Railways Branch	4,746.00	4,746.00		
Treasury Dept.	993,866.00	838,187.00	155,240.00	
Land and Mines Dept.	962,960.00	888,187.00	74,473.00	
Trade & Industry Dept.	281,585.00	249,480.00	32,117.00	
Public Welfare Dept.	2,449,117.00	2,285,854.00	163,263.00	
Youth Training Program	77,042.00	62,964.00	14,078.00	
Economic Affairs Dept.	54,566.00		54,566.00	

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With the amount expended on the East Pot Hole Coulee development.

The estimated cost of this part of the project will be approximately \$350,000, and the Dominion Government have now agreed that this particular reservoir should be constructed, and the cost borne by the province will be credited against the province's share of the cost of the whole project. It is anticipated that the work will be commenced this year, and the funds will be provided from the post-war reconstruction fund.

May 1 now, Mr. Speaker, direct the attention of the Assembly to the financial statements of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1944, and for the first nine months of the current fiscal year, that is, up to Dec. 31, 1944.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The public accounts for the past fiscal year, which ended March 31st, 1944, have been tabled and contain full details of all the various phases of the province's financial affairs.

This information has also been furnished to the public generally through the medium of the press, and it is, therefore, necessary for me to give only a brief summary of these financial statements at this time.

The general revenue fund showed an overall surplus of \$4,852,972.02 for the year after appropriating the sum of \$1,000,000 to the Post-War Reconstruction Fund. This surplus was made up mainly by revenue produced from the following sources which exceeded the sums estimated by the amounts I will indicate:

Motor and truck license fees, \$1,067,000.00; gasoline and fuel oil tax, \$420,000.00; succession duties, \$256,000.00; Liquor Board profits, \$2,500,000.00; and timber fees \$185,000.00.

DISBURSEMENTS

On the disbursement side although expenditures on highways, bridges and ferries exceeded the amount estimated by \$365,000.00, and expenditures on agriculture by \$91,000.00, the total expenditures of all departments of government were \$289,000.00 below the sum total estimated and authorized by the Legislature at the last session.

Capital receipts for the last fiscal year totaled \$891,696, a gain of \$738,366 over the amount estimated, while capital expenditures totaled \$2,729,255, which was \$571,567 more than the amount that had been estimated.

Of this amount \$344,127 represented additional expenditures on public buildings and public works.

OVERALL SURPLUS

The overall surplus to which I have referred, namely \$4,852,972.02 for the past fiscal year is arrived at after providing for all expenditures on income and capital accounts and statutory payments, but does not include the sum of \$413,502 expended for the redemption of Savings Certificates, \$90,855 for the purchase of registered stock, and \$76,500 which was paid on account of treasury bills held by the Dominion government.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR 1944-45

The interim cash statement for the nine months period of the present fiscal year has been tabled and contains complete information for the period ending December 31st, 1944, together with comparative figures for the corresponding period of the previous year.

This statement shows that for the first nine months of the current fiscal year cash receipts on income account totaled \$2,179,126.28, as compared with \$2,158,610.97, during the same period last year, or an increase of \$1,620,515.31.

The main increase in revenue are from the following sources: Fuel oil tax, \$204,900; motor licenses, \$66,841; petroleum rentals and royalties, \$482,163. The last mentioned increase is of particular importance in that it indicates the extensive search for new oil producing fields in Alberta which is being carried on at the present time.

EXPENDITURES

Turning now to expenditures on income account for the first nine months of the present fiscal year you will note that payments totaling \$2,109,271.80 show an increase of \$2,138,946.71 when compared with expenditures for the same period of the previous year. The major items responsible for this increase are:

General election, \$212,000; grants to schools, \$370,577; maternity hospital grants, \$328,936; and \$471,000 for old age pensions.

Capital payments of \$2,532,215.09 show an increase of \$243,528.39, the main item being \$236,500 for roads and bridges. Capital receipts for the nine months period amounted to \$763,283.24 which represents a decrease of \$15,436.45, when compared with the same period of the previous year.

The overall cash surplus for the nine months period is shown at \$2,370,919.63, as compared with \$3,148,615.87, a decrease of \$777,696.24 from the same period of the previous year.

TO HAVE SURPLUS

I am pleased to report, Mr. Speaker, that the figures to date indicate that we shall reach the end of the present fiscal year with a substantial surplus on all accounts.

The assembly will be asked to appropriate a further sum to augment the post-war reconstruction fund, chargeable against the cash surplus for the present fiscal year.

In addition to the foregoing, I am estimating Net Statutory payments, which do not need to be voted by this House, amounting to \$11,180,000. This amount includes provision of \$8,400,000 required in connection with the complete refunding of our debt, and approximately

\$3,200,000 which is being provided for the purpose of redeeming in full the balance of Alberta Savings Certificates still outstanding.

Later on I shall deal fully with the government's proposal for the complete refunding and ultimate retirement of the debenture debt of the Province.

AN INCREASE

It will be noted from the foregoing figures that total revenue on income account for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1946, is estimated at \$26,054,430, as compared with \$22,267,203 for the present year, an increase of \$3,787,228. The main items making up this increase are as follows:

Dominion subsidies, \$40,263, due to the increased population of the province, which was estimated to be \$909,000 at Jan. 1, 1944; land titles fees have increased by \$185,000; timber rentals, \$125,000; mining lands, rentals and royalties, \$120,000; mineral tax \$250,000; fuel oil tax, \$275,000; amusement tax, \$80,000; trucks and trailers certificate fees, \$175,000; and registration fees, \$150,000; liquor profits, \$1,000,000; investment earnings, \$75,000; wheat pool payment, \$300,000, and treasury branches earnings, \$160,000. In the main these estimates are based on the actual revenue we shall receive this year from these various sources.

In last year's budget address it was pointed out that previously anticipated reductions in certain sources of revenue as a result of wartime regulations and restrictions had not materialized. On the contrary, revenue from motor vehicles, fuel oil tax, and the Alberta Liquor Control Board is still exceeding current estimates, and I have estimated for the coming year accordingly.

On the other hand care has been exercised not to estimate our revenues in excess of what we have good and sufficient reason to believe we shall obtain. On the whole I would say that the revenue picture which I have outlined for 1945-1946 represents a reasonably conservative estimate of what we may confidently expect, but does not warrant the anticipation of large surpluses during the coming year. It must be borne in mind that revenues today are inflated as a result of wartime conditions and there are indications that incomes from some sources have passed their peak, and, in fact, already are on the decline.

EXPENDITURES—INCOME ACCOUNT

The wise allocation of available funds to the various departments of government to ensure the public the maximum benefits from their expenditure is one of the most important and responsible tasks of government.

In allocating the revenues estimated for the coming year every effort has been made to weigh carefully the respective value to the province of the various public services, and to maintain the progressive expansion of those services most important to the good and welfare of our people generally.

The total expenditures on Income Account are estimated at \$25,254,447.11, as compared with \$21,137,863.41 for the current year, an estimated increase of \$4,116,583.70.

NET INCREASE

You will note from the foregoing figures that public debt charges reflect a net increase of \$2,681,070 of which \$1,701,700 represents debt retirement and \$969,370 represents interest charges.

Provision has been made for the payment of interest at 3½ per cent on new debentures to be issued under the government's proposed refunding program.

On the total public debt to be refunded this represents an increase of \$1,595,770 of which \$630,000 will be reimbursed by the telephone department leaving a net increase of \$965,770.

DEBT RETIREMENT

The government's refunding and debt retirement program includes a sum of \$2,000,000 for debt retirement of which \$298,300 is chargeable to the Telephone System, leaving a net increase in the appropriation for debt retirement of \$1,701,700.

Provision also has been made in the Public Debt Appropriation this year for the debt service charges on debentures guaranteed by the province, consisting of irrigation and drainage district debentures.

The sums required to service these debentures were previously voted under the appropriation for the Water Resources Branch. The interest charges on the portion of the direct debt attributable to the telephone system of the province, which were in past years paid by the telephone department, are also included; and the payments from telephone earnings, as I have just mentioned, are shown as a reimbursement against the total vote.

In this way all debt charges on the entire funded and guaranteed debenture debt of the province are shown under this one appropriation, and this, I feel, enable the members of this assembly and the public to obtain a clearer and more complete picture of the total sum required each year for all charges in connection with the entire debt structure of the province.

Later I will deal more fully with the government's proposal to reconstruct, refund and ultimately retire the debenture debt of the province.

AGRICULTURE UP

You will note from the foregoing figures an increase for the department of agriculture of \$176,896, of which approximately \$34,000 is for the field crops branch mainly for the purpose of an extended program

of oil conservation and weed control.

Legislation dealing with this new program of soil conservation and weed and water control will be introduced at this session. An additional \$36,000 is provided for agricultural schools due to the re-opening of the school at Vermilion which, for the past three years has been used by the military authorities as a training centre, and which is no longer required for this purpose.

A new appropriation of \$80,000 has been provided to assist in the construction of dams and ditches in the Peace River country in an effort to relieve at least partially the serious shortage of adequate water supply which prevails in that area.

SHOW INCREASE

The estimates for the department of education show an overall increase of \$335,687 of which figure \$400,000 is for the purpose of still further increasing school grants. A comparison with the amount of money provided for school grants and education generally in previous years might be of interest to the assembly.

Year	Grants	Grants	Total Edu. Income
1933-34	\$1,431,880	\$209,480	\$2,641,360
1934-35	1,665,266	412,147	2,077,413
1935-36	2,159,114	450,000	2,609,114
1936-37	2,717,709	602,500	3,320,209
1937-38	3,117,820	746,000	3,863,820

UNIVERSITY GRANT

The grant to the university for the coming year has been increased by \$4,000, of which approximately \$38,000 is attributable to transference of the normal schools at Edmonton and Calgary to the University under agreement with the Department of Education whereby the University henceforth will carry on the entire program of teacher training for the province. The remainder of the increase is represented by an \$85,000 increase in the general grant.

The public works department shows an estimated increase in expenditure of \$208,280. Of this amount an addition \$71,000 has been provided for maintenance of buildings, partly due to the necessary renovation of the Vermilion school buildings which are being returned to the province by the Dominion Government and which, as already stated, will be reopened as a school of agriculture.

An additional \$100,000 for district highways has been provided for the ensuing year.

NET INCREASE

There is a net increase in the treasury department estimated expenditures of \$152,340. Treasury Branches show an estimated increase of \$170,000 due, mainly, to the rapidly mounting deposits and the consequent increased interest thereon in addition to general expenses incidental to the steadily increasing volume of business which is being handled through the branches. I would like to point out that the earnings and revenues accruing from the Treasury Branches, conservatively estimated, show an offsetting increase on the revenue side of our budget of practically the same amount as the increased expenditure. There is a decrease in the estimated requirements for the Income Tax Branch of slightly over \$21,000 due to the declining activities of this department which is now in the process of winding up.

The lands and mines department shows a total estimated increase of \$74,473. A moderate expansion of the public services rendered in the forestry, game and fishery branches and through the general office, account for this increased expenditure.

The estimates for the trade and industry department show an overall increase of \$32,117, which amount includes new appropriations amounting to \$14,650 required for the operation of the Apprenticeship Act which was passed at the last session. An additional appropriation of \$12,500 has been provided to enable the department to still further expand its activities in the field of industrial development.

WILL TRANSFER WORK

At the commencement of the ensuing fiscal year it is our intention to transfer the administration of the Old Age Pensions and Mothers' Allowances Act from the treasury department to the department of public welfare. The combined expenditures for the department of public welfare and the Old Age Pensions and Mothers' Allowances branches shows an overall increase of \$183,263. Increases in old age pensions and the growing number of pensioners necessitated the provision of an additional \$165,000.

You will observe the provision has been made for \$54,366 for the new Department of Economic Affairs, in connection with which new Legislation will be brought before the house at this session. The Government believes that it is in the public interest that such a department should be established to deal with the numerous problems of post-war rehabilitation.



HOLD EVERYTHING—
"I've been thinking about modernizing the act and using a flame thrower!"

tion and the future economic development of the province.

It is the intention that this new department will endeavor to implement and to work into the economy of the province as far as possible the recommendations of the Alberta Post-War Reconstruction Committee whose final report will be presented to this assembly during the present session.

SALE OF GRAIN

The agriculture department estimates an additional \$40,000 from the sale of seed grain. In the water resources branch reimbursements from the Lethbridge Northern Colonization manager are expected to increase by \$55,000.

The estimates for executive council reflect the normal increase in deposits to the superannuation fund.

As regards agricultural relief estimates, we expect increased collections of advances made from 1936 to 1939 to the extent of \$71,300. The decrease estimated in the collections of the municipal affairs department is due to the fact that amounts due from municipalities in connection with their guaranteed borrowings taken up by the province in previous years have now been largely settled.

PAYMENTS—CAPITAL ACCOUNT

The estimates for the agriculture department, water resources branch, shows a decrease of \$323,700. This is entirely due to the elimination from the capital section of the estimates of provision for payment of interest and sinking fund on debentures of irrigation and drainage districts which are guaranteed by the province. The necessary provision for these payments is included in our public debt vote in connection with our refunding plan.

Public works department estimates are decreased by \$164,670. This is accounted for by decreased provision for equipment and furnishings for public buildings and institutions. Estimates for nearly \$129,000; and a decrease of over \$137,000 in the amount provided for new construction of public buildings. These decreases are partly offset by an additional \$100,000 appropriated for construction of district highways.

REFUNDING

Mr. Speaker, may I now turn to the matter of refunding the debenture debt of the province. Because of its direct and indirect bearing upon the whole economy of our province, this question of public debt has importance to every honorable member in this assembly, and to each and every citizen of Alberta.

Its ramifications have been the subject of much debate, both in this House and outside it during the past nine years, and the general situation is sufficiently well known that it is necessary for me to give but brief review of the subject. The present situation should be regarded as a complete refunding of our bonded indebtedness on a basis which we believe the vast majority will regard as fair and equitable, both to the bondholders and to the citizens of this province generally.

In 1936 economic conditions in Alberta were such that it became financially impossible for the government to maintain even a minimum of essential public and social services, and at the same time continue to meet the full contractual liabilities of interest on its bonded indebtedness.

PUBLIC REVENUE

The total public revenue, excluding refunds of expenditure, for the fiscal year 1935-36 amounted to \$14,403,844.27. The province's service costs charged to general revenue for that same year amounted to \$7,238,567, of which less than \$1,000,000 represented retirement of principal, while over \$6,000,000 represented interest charges. In other words the total debt service charges absorbed 59.9% of the entire provincial revenue while the interest charges alone amounted to over 46% of the total provincial income.

Faced with this situation and denied satisfactory financial assistance by the federal government and the Bank of Canada the provincial government considered it had no alternative but to arbitrarily reduce the interest rates on its bonded indebtedness by 50 per cent, a step which was taken only after efforts had failed to effect a voluntary reduction.

The government made it abundantly clear at the time that its forced action in reducing the rate of interest was not to be regarded as a repudiation of its bonded indebtedness, but rather as a necessary reduction in the earnings of money in order to bring them at least partially into line with the drastically reduced returns from production and labor, and the serious decline in the earning power of the people generally.

PAY AS YOU GO

From 1936 on the province has operated strictly on a pay as you go basis and at the same time has made every effort progressively to reduce its debt burden.

Under this policy it has attained a sound financial position which has been substantially enhanced by the increased public revenues resulting from war time activity.

During the past number of years the government has made repeated efforts to reconstruct the debenture debt on a basis that would be fair and equitable both to the bondholders and to the people of the province generally. In his budget address of March 1st, 1943, the Honorable Mr. Low reported to this assembly the results of the last formal meeting between representatives of the government and the bondholders' committee. Those who sat in the Legislature at that time will recall that a resolution was unanimously passed approving of the government's rejection of the proposal submitted by the bondholders' committee which stipulated an overall interest rate of four per cent, recognition of all unpaid interest from June 1, 1936, and provision for differentials in coupon rates on



BACK FROM FRONT.—Pte. Claude M. Grey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Grey, who is home again after service on the Western Front with the Canadian Army in Holland. Grey was wounded in the back, arm and stomach on Dec. 13, 1918, while serving in the South Alberta Regiment in 1940 he was serving with a Saskatchewan infantry regiment at the front. He was born in Veteran.

all outstanding bonds to their maturities.

At the same time the government went on record as being prepared to regard 5½ per centum as a fair and reasonable rate of interest, and as willing to make some reasonable provision to compensate holders prepared to exchange their present bonds, whether in default or unmatured, for new bonds with extended dates of maturity and bearing a lower rate of interest.

Since assuming the office of provincial treasurer I have continued the efforts to work out a satisfactory settlement along these lines which were initiated and exploited with tireless energy by my predecessor.

We have canvassed the situation from every angle and after the most exhaustive discussions with members of the bondholders' committee, with various firms and interested persons, and with officials of the Dominion Treasury, and the Bank of Canada, we have reached certain definite conclusions which may be summarized briefly as follows:

1. It is neither in the interests of the province or the bondholders that the present situation should continue longer. We already have over \$34,000,000 of bonds in default, and substantial additional amounts are falling due each year. The disputed unpaid interest is now in excess of \$25,000,000 as a result of which the province is faced with increasingly difficult legal complications.

SEEMS OBVIOUS

It seems obvious that time will serve only to further complicate rather than alleviate this unsatisfactory situation.

2. There is no possibility of working out a proposal that would receive the formal endorsement and recommendation of the Bondholders' Committee within the limits beyond which the government, on behalf of the people of the province, is not prepared to go.

While members of the committee have intimated some willingness to accept the over-all rate of interest proposed by the government, their acceptance is predicated upon the province recognizing in full the unpaid portion of the interest since 1936, together with differentials in coupon rates on their outstanding bonds to maturity. These two factors involve an amount of approximately \$32,000,000.

3. The federal government will give its support to a refunding arrangement and assist the province in the terms of its implementation only on the grounds that all of the unpaid back interest is recognized and paid together with the differentials on all unmatured bonds.

4. Notwithstanding these circumstances, we have good reason to believe that a substantial majority of our bondholders are ready and willing to exchange their present bonds for new debentures on terms mutually satisfactory, both to them and to the people of Alberta.

We have, therefore, after the most careful consideration, decided that, in fairness to all concerned, we can no longer defer making a definite offer to the holders of our bonds, notwithstanding the fact that our offer will not be acceptable to the Bondholders' Committee.

Accordingly we propose to offer to the holders of our present debentures a new thirty-three year bond, dated June 1, 1945, and bearing interest at 3½ per cent.

I have already stated that some reasonable provision should be made to at least partially compensate holders who voluntarily exchange their bonds, for the financial losses they have sustained as a result of our enforced default. All of our holders for the past nine years have received only one-half the interest their contract called for.

Some of our holders have been deprived of their principal since 1936 through our inability to meet our maturities; those with unmatured bonds are being asked to exchange them for new debentures bearing a lower rate of interest, while all are being asked to accept an extension of the maturity date.

In consideration of these factors we are prepared to make an adjustment to each of our holders voluntarily exchanging his bond on the following basis:

CAN EXCHANGE BONDS

The holder of a six per cent. debenture, now receiving three per

cent., may exchange his bond for a new bond bearing interest at three and a half per cent., and will receive an adjustment of \$9.00 per hundred.

The holder of a five per cent. bond will receive a new three and a half per cent. bond, together with an adjustment of \$7.50 per hundred.

Similarly the holder of a four per cent. debenture will receive a new three and a half per cent. bond and an adjustment of \$6.00 per hundred. The exact method by which this adjustment will be paid together with other details are matters now receiving the attention of treasury officials and the law officers of the Crown.

TOTAL AMOUNT

The total amount of this compensation based on a 100 per cent. exchange of bonds would amount to \$8,400,000 which is equal to one-third of the amount saved to the province through the reduction in interest from June 1, 1936, to June 1, 1945.

This amount will be financed from previous years' cash surpluses. This over all reconstruction of our debt is based on the cancellation of all Alberta bonds held in the sinking funds and other portfolios of the government.

This will reduce our gross debenture debt by \$15,800,000, and will leave a net outstanding debt of \$113,200,000 for which amount the new debentures will be issued. In addition treasury bills to the amount of \$1,650,000 held in sinking funds will be cancelled.

INCLUDED

This figure includes the guaranteed debenture issue outstanding at the present time, the \$5,500,000 of Alberta Great Waterways bonds which are still outstanding, and which are not included in the refunding proposal.

Under the new arrangement the government proposes to provide a minimum of \$2,000,000 a year for debt retirement which will be used to cancel either by purchase or call, the new bonds issued. A satisfactory call feature will be included in the new bonds, to make this possible and also to enable the province to refund at still lower rates at later dates as and when circumstances permit.

The minimum debt retirement of \$2,000,000 a year will result in an annual decrease in interest charges of \$70,000 per annum. If this saving is applied to further debt retirement, the entire debt of \$113,200,000 can be extinguished in 33 years, thereby freeing the taxpayers of the province from an annual burden of approximately \$4,000,000 a year.

STATUTORY ESTIMATES

Provision has also been made in the statutory estimates this year to pay off the balance of the outstanding savings certificates amounting to approximately \$3,200,000. This will not only fully discharge this obligation but will relieve the budget of an annual appropriation of \$500,000 which has been approved yearly to apply on the redemption of savings certificates.

I have already stated, Mr. Speaker, that while the refunding proposal I have outlined will meet with opposition and rejection on the part of certain holders, we sincerely believe that it will be considered reasonably satisfactory by the vast majority of the smaller holders in particular.

It will enable them to exchange bonds which, through default, are not in good standing and bearing a rate of interest that the majority will consider fair and equitable.

These factors, together with the provisions which the government is making for retiring the principal of the debt should go a long way towards establishing the market value of the new bonds at or near par which will enable any holder dissatisfied with the terms of his contract, or desirous of obtaining his principal, to dispose of his bond without loss.

From the standpoint of the province we believe the proposal is advantageous and will be regarded as fair and equitable.

It represents a practical solution to an unsatisfactory situation which is becoming steadily more involved.

It has the advantage of flexibility in that it will leave this or future governments free to refund at still lower rates if and when circumstances permit. Above all it provides for a progressive retirement of the principal of the debt which means the permanent removal of the burden of interest which is a millstone around the neck of any people.

To summarize, Mr. Speaker, the

budget for the ensuing year which I have now presented, provides in the first place for increased expenditures for those essential public services which we consider most important to the welfare of the people of Alberta. In the second place it provides for a complete reconstruction of our public debt, including the substantial sum of \$2,000,000 a year for debt retirement.

While we have estimated an overall deficit of \$702,000—this amount is arrived at after basing our estimates on a 100 per cent. conversion of our bonds to the new basis, and after providing for a full year's interest charges based on the new rate of 3½ per cent. The estimated deficit will be reduced by a minimum of \$200,000 as a result of the new debentures not being issued until June 1.

I am hopeful that the remainder of the estimated deficit will be substantially reduced, if not entirely eliminated, by increased receipts from some of the sources of revenue, and by certain savings which may be effected in some of the estimated expenditures. We must, however, bear in mind the fact that our revenues at the present time are buoyant due to the stimulus of war expenditures and we cannot reasonably anticipate any substantial increases in excess of the sum total estimated for the ensuing year.

FUTURE EXPANSION

While I have every confidence in the future expansion and development of this province, under the existing circumstances it is essentially important that we conserve our financial resources if we are to meet successfully the economic disequilibrium which is bound to occur within the next few years.

Before closing this address I would like to say that I regard as of paramount importance to the future welfare of each and every province and of Canada as a whole an early and satisfactory settlement of the whole vexatious problem of Dominion-provincial relations.

A house divided against itself cannot stand. It is folly to pretend that the present relations between the Dominion Government and the governments of the respective Canadian provinces is such as to warrant other than the gravest concern at a time when the country should be fortified with the utmost of solidarity and unanimity to ensure the successful transition from war to a victorious peace.

This problem cannot be solved by compromise and evasion of fundamental issues and basic principles. Its solution demands that the jurisdiction and the responsibilities of the respective governments be clearly defined and definitely established.

Furthermore, no solution can be effective and permanent unless and until the national policies of the senior government are revised to the end that they will no longer impose social and economic burdens on the provinces on the one hand while at the same time on the other hand they render provincial governments financially impotent and make it impossible for them to meet the just demands of their people. Insofar as the Government of Alberta is concerned, we mean business in this matter, and stand ready and anxious to do our full share towards bringing about an effective and permanent solution to this serious national problem at the earliest possible date.

TRUE LIGHT



GIRLS—"I wanted fifty a week and he said thirty dollars or nothin'! We compromised on thirty!"

Today's Sport Parade

By Jack Cuddy

SUMMIT, N.J., March 9.—(AP)—Freddie Cochrane, the red-headed ex-sailor man, plans to make his first defense of the world welter-weight championship against Ray "Sugar" Robinson (of all people) at Soldiers' Field, Chicago, in June. Contracts for the bout probably will be signed March 26.

Willie Glitzberg, manager of 25-year-old Cochrane, made this surprising disclosure yesterday at Cochrane's training camp where the champion is working back into condition after three and a half years in the navy.

Acceptance of Robinson as Freddie's first title opponent was unexpected. Boxing men had taken it for granted that Cochrane would avoid the dangerous New York negro as long as possible. They expected that he would enter the service a few days after winning the 147-pound title from Fritz Zivic in July, 1941, would try to cash in on the crown now in a series of bouts with mediocre opponents before risking it against Harlem's dancing dynamite.

COULD CASH IN

AND Cochrane could cash in. He is receiving offers from all sections. He is the only undisputed world champion in civies today. He is king of the welter division—the rich division that is jammed with more civilian talent than any other class. He has an excellent war record. He went in before Pearl Harbor and received his honorable discharge two months ago. His naval activities included action in the South Pacific. The red-headed veteran from Hulsdale, N.J., is "big box office" now.

Why then is he accepting Robinson's title?

Glitzberg explained: "In the first place, Freddie promised his buddies in the navy that he would be a fighting champion when he got out. He's got a whole flock of buddies, because as a specialist, he instructed more than 200,000 boys in boxing during his long hitch. That was in addition to other duties.

"In the second place, we have received a large offer to defend against Robinson. A Chicago syndicate, headed by promoter Jack Karm, has guaranteed Freddie \$100,000, with the privilege of taking 45 per cent of the net gate. They expect the bout to draw at least \$250,000. Robinson is being guaranteed \$25,000, with no strings attached. Robinson doesn't have to agree to a return title bout if he beats Freddie. Cochrane and I do not believe in those return-bout contracts. They are the ruin of boxing. Robinson's representative, George Gainsford, accepted the match Wednesday."

HAD FOUR NON-TITLE BOUTS

THE welter champ may have one or two non title engagements with lesser opposition before the Chicago bout. They would sharpen him for his defense. During Freddie's navy hitch he had four non title bouts with Garvey Young, Bobby Britton, Lew Jenkins and

Examinations Will Be Made

Project Is Started On 'Athletic Heart'

PHILADELPHIA, March 9.—(AP)—Big-name athletes and hundreds of athletic young fry were signed up as guinea pigs Thursday in a medical research project to determine whether there is any such thing as an "athletic heart."

Lieut. Patty Berg, golf champion, and Lieut. Helen Marlowe, tennis star, were among a group of football, baseball, boxing and rowing figures who agreed to submit to exhaustive physical examinations to help answer the old and often-debated huzzler of whether sports are harmful to contestants' hearts.

Adult stars in most cases will be tested only once but younger volunteers will be examined periodically, some from their grammar school to college days. It will be five or six years, said project director Dr. Joseph Wolff, before enough data has been amassed to justify a conclusion.

Philadelphia scholastic coaches and recreation directors, a group of prominent heart specialists and an advisory committee of sports figures sponsored the project. The examinations will include x-ray measurements of the heart and complete studies of the cardio-vascular systems.

Advisory committee members include John B. (Jack) Kelly, former Olympic rowing champion and chairman of the U.S. physical fitness division; Miss Berg, Alice Marble, former tennis champion; Anne Townsend, former all-American field hockey player, and Dr. William L. Hughes of Columbia University, president of the American Association for health, physical education and recreation.

Rutherford Wins Two City School Hockey Crowns

Rutherford captured two city school hockey championships for the 1944-45 season when the grade five and six team defeated Calder 3-2 at the Stadium in the final of that division and the grade seven and eight sextet beat North Edmonton two straight, 2-1 and 1-0 in the best of three final. Mel Allen is the coach of the two winning teams.

In the grade five and six final, the Rutherford boys had to take the game into overtime before Clement Stone fired the deciding marker. Clement also scored one in regulation time with the other going to Ron Smith. Don Pierce netted twice for Calder, coached by L. Nicholls.

In the first game of the grade seven and eight series, Lloyd Salisbury and Eugene Duncan tallied for the winners while Bud Noon netted the lone counter for C. Shelton's North Edmonton pugilists. In the other game, played at Rutherford's home rink, Lloyd Salisbury drove home a pass from Ron Stone for the only marker.

GRADE FIVE AND SIX
Rutherford: Pathy, Davis, Fletcher, Stone, Smith, Williams, Kramer, Nelson, Gooding, Oberg, Birch, Calder: Yansek, Yurukuk, Dove, Pierce, Anderson, Koral, Chumko, Tyler, Valentine, Smith, Lischuk.

GRADE SEVEN AND EIGHT
Rutherford: McLean, O. Stogryn, Duncan, Salisbury, Burnstead, Seigler, Stone, Hepburn, G. Stogryn, Easterby, North Edmonton: Mapwichek, Leng, Noon, Mazarenich, Sierson, Moul, Walker, Johnson.

Snead, Hamilton Oust Canadians From Four-Ball

MIAMI, Fla., March 9.—(AP)—Sam Snead and Bob Hamilton Thursday led the way through the first round of the \$7,500 international four-ball tournament with a top-sided 10 and 9 triumph.

Their victory took the "international" angle out of the event, for the victims were Stanley Horne and Jules Huot, the Canadians who formed the only non-United States team. Horne is from Montreal, Huot from Quebec.

The victors carded 64, six under par, for the morning 18, then ended the scheduled 36-hole match by shooting a 31 on the front nine this afternoon.

Four down at lunch time after compiling 36-53—69, the Canadians never had a chance.

With The Pin Busters

SERVICE CLUB FIVE PINS
High single—M. Carroll, Spitfires, 276; high double—Johnson, Rotary, 480.
High team single—Rotary, 976; high team two—Rotary, 1,997.

AIRLINERS FIVE PINS
High single—M. Carroll, Spitfires, 261; high triple—Overhaul, Interceptors, 381.
High team single—Spitfires, 912; high team three—Spitfires, 2,432.

COMMERCIAL 10 PINS
High single—Kosiek, Canada Packers, 231; high triple—Kosiek, 842.
High team single—Dealy Motors, 993; high team three—Canada Packers, 2,826.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON LADIES
High single—Hicks, Hi Balls, 306; high triple—Masters, Hi Balls, 172.
High team single—Hi Balls, 1,912; high team two—Hi Balls, 2,917.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS
High single—Kramer, Mosquitoes and Laidlaw, Hurricanes tied with 234; high double—Gunderson, Commandos, 416.
High team single—Bombers, 921; high team two—Bombers, 1,693.

THURSDAY NIGHT MIXED
High single—W. Gibbs, Pats, 338; high triple—J. Rutherford, Screwballs, 138.
High team single—Pats, 1,300; high team three—Walk-Hits, 3,216.

THURSDAY LADIES
High single—York, Happy Gang, 242; high triple—York, 610.
High team single—Wah Hoo, 1,408; high team three—Wah Hoo, 2,691.

Army, Navy Pats Trounce Varsity To Reach Final

Army and Navy Pats turned in probably their best performance of the season at NWAC Thursday night to win University 66-25 and take the best of three City Girls Basketball League semi-final in two straight games. They won the opener 58-40 and will now meet the winners of the Aces-Gremilins series for the title.

Elita Dann and Connie Strachan paced the Pats in a record in scoring with 18 points each. Laura Scott and May Spence also turned in outstanding performances to collect 11 each while the other points were bank by Gladys Lemming and Margaret Hambling with four each.

June Causgrove led the Varsity attack with 12 counters while Vera Hole with nine and Eleanor Krus and Lois Dunlop with two each were the other point-getters.

The Pats out-scored the opposition with comparative ease in every session. They took an 11-4 lead in the first quarter and increased it to 23-11 at the half, adding 12 to the losers' seven. The winners opened up in the second half to build up their high score. They added 26 while the Varsity cards were picking up six in the third and then finished up by out-

Phil Prospects Appear Bright For 1945 Season

PHILADELPHIA, March 9.—(AP)—In war-torn 1945, full of its baseball uncertainties, Philadelphia Phillies celebrated the 30th anniversary of their only national league championship.

And the 1945 edition of the long-time league doormat contains the best Phil prospects in many years. "I don't like to prophesy," says general manager Herb Pennock, but he added that if selective service "doesn't take a big dent out of the roster, we'll be considerably better than last year" when the Phils ended at the bottom of the league pile.

The Phils are an odd assortment of youth and age, speed and tried qualities. If veterans Jimmy Fox, Gus Mancuso, Bill Lee and company can be whipped into good

scoring the losers 17-8 in the fourth frame.

LINEUPS
Army and Navy Pats: Laura Scott (1), Connie Strachan (15), May Spence (11), Elita Dann (18), Margaret Hambling (13), Edith Ritchie, Denise Callaway, Gladys Lemming (4), Total, 98.
Varsity: Vera Hole (19), June Causgrove (12), Lois Dunlop (2), Eleanor Krus (2), Frances Stanley, Sylvia Callaway, Dorothy Jones, Herbie Mott, Total, 25.
Referee—Gordon McTavish.

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shape, the Phils may develop into a pennant threat.
And then there are the flashy Hammer brothers—Garvin and Granville—from Richmond, Va., plus Elsie (Miss) Mott and Fred Daniels, the Ulster, N.Y., Keystone

combination, all expected to furnish plenty of speed in the infield.
An eight-month cruise of the vessel, Sir James Clark Ross, netted 1,444 whales, which yielded oil valued at \$1,250,000.

FAMOUS PLAYERS THEATRES

MEET US IN HONOLULU!

Deanna Durbin
"It's a Date"
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Hilarious Romantic Comedy!
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TODAY - SATURDAY

GARNEAU

TONITE and SAT. GREER GARSON • WALTER PIDGEON Mrs. Parkington Complete Show 8:30—9:30

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34 Members Heard

Throne Speech Is Adopted
By House on Voice Vote

After two weeks of discussion, debate on the Speech from the Throne concluded in the Legislature Thursday afternoon. A motion to adopt the address was passed on a voice vote.

A total of 34 members of the assembly took part in the debate, which opened Friday, Feb. 23. Acceptance of the speech was moved by Mrs. Rose Wilkinson (S.C.-Calgary), seconded by R. D. Jorgensen (S.C.-Pembina).

Adoption of the throne speech cleared the way for introduction of the budget Friday by Premier Ernest Manning, provincial treasurer. Mr. Manning will table the budget, along with estimates for the coming fiscal year, soon after the house convenes Friday, after which debate will be adjourned until Monday.

PAGE FIRST SPEAKER

J. Percy Page (Ind.-Edmonton) will be first speaker when the budget debate resumes at the beginning of the week.

Last four speakers in the throne debate were O. B. Moore (S.C.-Ponoka), A. V. Bourcier (S.C.-Lac Ste. Anne), Arthur Wray (S.C.-Banff-Cochrane), and Mrs. Wilkinson.

The method to be used in establishing a lasting world peace is simply a matter of finding out what causes war, Mr. Bourcier declared. He stated that all wars are economic in the beginning, developing to a military struggle from the economic inception.

By removing the economic causes of war, he said war would not be imposed upon the people. If a peace plan were drafted along these lines, he avowed, such a plan would be far ahead of those plans being drawn up today.

DISCUSSES SOCIALISM

The speaker dealt with socialism by reading passages from a number of volumes which he described as socialist textbooks. Quoting from one of these books, he stated that socialism had its start in Germany 200 years ago.

"The impression has been given abroad by the CCF that their movement is largely a movement of western peoples, particularly western farmers and workers," this impression Mr. Bourcier described as dangerous.

The speaker declared that socialism is anti-Christian, and said that "I don't care whether the party preaching socialism calls itself CCF or Liberal or anything else, socialism is anti-Christian and I shall continue to fight it."

He voiced denunciation of attempts which he said were being made to establish in the world socialism, without consulting the people.

EDUCATION MATTERS

In his address, Mr. Moore dealt with the matter of education, research and markets, his opening remarks intimating that he would like to see more of the taxes collected go back to the direct benefit of people in rural areas.

Referring to education, he expressed the desire to see only those children fitted for university training, receive such training. "It would be better for a person to be unfitted for his university course," Mr. Moore said, "I would like to see the time come when no student would enter university without a scholarship and without a character recommendation," he declared.

Mr. Moore proposed a visit by an "educational committee" of the department of education to all military camps in the province in an effort to acquire the campuses for technical and other schools. In these camps, he would set up "more or less independent democratic communities" in which the students could learn the principles of democratic living under the guidance of competent instructors.

Dealing with research, Mr. Moore spoke of advances that have been made and can yet be made in the field of agriculture, veterinary science, production for export, and livestock. He urged the closer co-operation between agricultural departments and farmers' organizations.

Mr. Wray pointed out to the house that there were people in the province who believed the Legislature could do better than in spend eight or nine days on "any subject under the sun" presented by members in their throne speech debate. The speaker admitted that he was "rebellious" in this, and other regards, and objected also to speakers bringing

Great Mining
Prospects Seen
At Yellowknife

The people of Edmonton seem to be unaware of the tremendous possibilities of the mining developments in the Yellowknife area. J. M. McMeekan told members of the Lions' club Thursday, and referred to the district as the "new Canada."

Interest in Yellowknife in eastern Canada and the United States is very keen, the speaker said, and as soon as wartime restrictions on gold mining are lifted the development of properties there will boom.

Before the war five mines produced a total of \$14,000,000 worth of gold. Mr. McMeekan said, and the Giant Yellowknife mine will probably become one of the largest producers on this continent.

RICH STRIKE MADE

A rich strike last March on Giant Yellowknife property started a flurry of speculation on the Toronto and New York stock exchanges and a great deal of exploration work on the part of mining companies and independent prospectors.

Mr. McMeekan has spent 10 years at Yellowknife where he publishes the "Yellowknife Blade." With colored pictures the speaker showed club members the life in the settlement, stressing that it is "not a land of ice and snow as so many people believe."

"We can grow anything that you can grow in Edmonton," Mr. McMeekan claimed, and he showed pictures of tomatoes, potatoes, cabbages, and bright-hued flowers to back up his statement.

In an interview after his talk Mr. McMeekan said he had conferred with a naval board on rehabilitation and told them the Mackenzie district could easily support a quarter of a million people engaged in farming, mining and business.

NEW-TYPE BOOM

He said the present boom in Yellowknife differs from that of 1938 because it is more concentrated prospecting. "Before the war aerial prospectors spotted claims throughout 30,000 square miles surrounding Yellowknife. Most of them were never developed and reverted to the crown. But this time the work is being done in a concentrated area right near Yellowknife and is much better for the development of the district."

SEES DEVELOPMENT

He said he is convinced that inside five years Yellowknife will be developed tremendously. "In northern Quebec development of the mining area meant a terrific increase in the population in 10 years. In the same period at Yellowknife we could have 10 times the development and increase in population."

out the worst side of opposition members without offering constructive ideas.

MONEY BIG ORDER

Mr. Wray opened his address by declaring that there is nothing wrong with the produce of the country, in that everyone wants to consume the produce. He said that the "book-keeping was all gummed up." Money, and a new constitution, in his opinion, were the big orders of the day. He would have the new constitution drafted by the nine provinces and submitted to the federal government. "As one of those nine provinces, we must make sure that the stupidity which exists under the present system be thrown to one side for good, so that all peoples in Canada can enjoy that which we produce," he stated.

Mrs. Wilkinson, in her rebuttal address, offered the belief that "we must have people in our Legislature who look upon themselves as the representatives of the entire people, and are not solely after their own political advantage." She said she believed that there was reasonable concurrence that the present government was doing a good job. The speaker urged the effective government control of credit and currency in terms of the public need, without nationalizing the banks.



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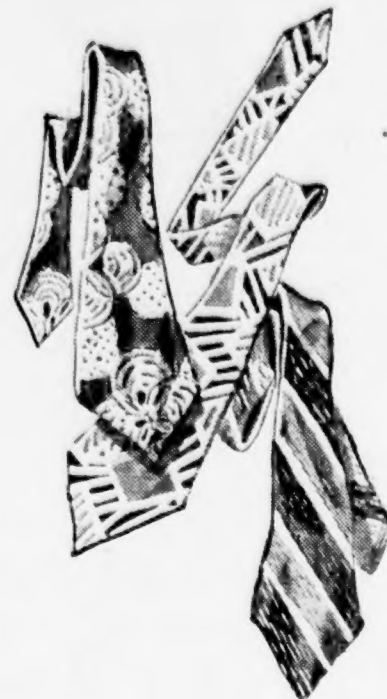
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Here's Your New Tie for Easter!

Rich Colorful Patterns to Add Zest and
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Neatly tailored from smooth silky rayon and crease-resisting wool material, these new colorful four-in-hand ties are perfect for spring wear. Included are sparkling patterns in small and large florals, stripes and neat figure patterns. In rich, bright or mellow tones of blue, maroon, red, green, brown, and grey. Full size and length.

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New Wool
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15.95



A jewel-bright wool dress will add color to your office, vivacity to the whirl of daytime life, or it can be wrapped in furs and invited to tea. Flatteringly tailored wool classics in button-front shirtwaist and jumper-effect styles, as well as new draped models. Colors are gold, pink, blue, lilac, green and black.

Spring Coats
For Teen-Agers

Full length balmacaan coats or new "shortie" coats fashioned from polo or tweed materials. The "shortie" coats may be worn boxy or belted, and have velvet collars, rounded revers, and pleated back. Yellow, 19.95 blue and green. Sizes 11 to 17.

High School Shop, Second Floor at the BAY

Alpine Skirts

All-round pleated skirts of serviceable alpine cloth. They have button fastenings and come in navy, gold, red, light blue, 3.98 brown and black. Sizes 12 to 18.

—BAY Fashion Centre, Second Floor

Celanese Blouses

Easily washed, celanese blouses in tie-neck or low round-neck styles. Choice of green, red, brown or blue. Small pin-check pattern. All seams are over-cast. 2.98

—Blouses, Street Floor at The BAY

"Perrin" Gloves

English made "Perrin" gloves of soft, pliable Pigtex. Slip-on style with button thumb and pique seams. Natural or oatmeal 2.98 shade. Sizes 6 1/2 to 7.

—Gloves, Street Floor at The BAY

Save on These . . .
Watches!

Ladies' Watches

15 and 17-jewel Swiss movement watches in square, oblong and round shapes. 14k gold-filled Bezel and stainless steel back. Regular 24.75 for 17.50

Men's Watches

Water-proof, shock-resisting watches with full sweep hand, luminous hands and dial, stainless steel case, 17-jewel Swiss movement. Regular 37.50 for 18.00

—Watches, Street Floor at The BAY

Leather
Billfolds

Less Than 1/2 Price!

Ostrich grain leather billfolds clearing at greatly reduced price. They're English made, and have window and separate compartments. A good variety of styles to choose from. Clearing at 1.00

—Billfolds, Street Floor at The BAY

"Young Idea" Hats

Smackiroo Cloche bonnet, Churchill bonnet, Dexter Park Chevron beanie, and beret style hats of wool felt. Red, gold, blue, moss, paddy, light blue, 2.98 and 3.98 brown and navy.

Cotton Sweaters

Novelty knit cotton sweaters in the popular pullover style with short sleeves. Colors are blue, pink, yellow, white and red. 1.00

Sizes 14 to 20.

Wool Sweaters

Yellow, blue, red and navy sweaters knit from the purest of wool. They're in the pullover style with long sleeves, and are knit in a fancy stitch. 2.98

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"Lady Hudson"

Shoes
5.95

Included in this group are black suede sling pumps with buckle fastener, open toe and low heel. Black or brown suede calf pumps with high Cuban heel and rolled bow. High-front gabarine pumps with Cuban heel. Black or brown suede pumps with open toe and high heel. As well as the new D'Orsay cut.

Sizes 5 to 9,
Widths AAA to B

—Shoes, Street Floor at The BAY



YOU'RE IN THE ARMY NOW — "I'm using the bubble bath powder my girl sent in my Christmas box!"

Listen in Saturday Night, 9 to 12, CJCA or CFRN to the BLOCK BUSTER AUCTION in support of the Food Industry War Savings Stamp Drive — 60 Hampers of Groceries to be Given Away

New Spring Hats
6.00

If you want smart new style and light comfortable fit then see these new spring hats at The BAY. They are genuine fur felts in the new narrow band, snap-brim style with genuine leather sweat band. Colors are grey and brown in sizes 6 1/2 to 7 1/2.

Other Spring Hats at 2.95, 3.95, 5.00

See These New Spring Topcoats!

\$25

Men! . . . Your new spring top coat is now ready at The BAY. Come in and see our fine collection. You'll find all wool tweeds in single-breasted raglan or set-in sleeve styles. Neat herringbone patterns in grey, brown, green and blue-grey colors, with button through or fly fronts. Also included in this group are new gabardine coats. Sizes 36 to 44.

Other Coats at 19.95, 29.00, 35.00 and 45.00

—Men's Wear, Street Floor at The BAY

Young Men's Quality Tweed Suits!

Slip One on and Watch
Things Happen to Your
Appearance!

29.50

Say fellows, do you want that trim, broad-shouldered athletic look? Well, come in to The BAY tomorrow and step into one of these better quality tweeds. The single-breasted three-button coat fits slim and trim and there are one or two pairs of pants. Neat donegal and herringbone patterns in grey, brown, tan and green colors. Sizes 32 to 37.



Young Men's Topcoats

- All Wool Tweeds
- Single-breasted Styles

\$25

Smartly tailored from quality wool tweed materials these new topcoats are for the fellows who want smart appearance and long wear. There are donegal and herringbone tweeds in single-breasted boxy model. Choose from teal, brown and grey. Sizes 32 to 37.

Boys' Suits

With Two Pairs of Longs

19.50

Newly arrived for Easter are these boys' better quality wool tweeds. Single-breasted three-button style coat with two pairs of long pants in grey and brown colors. Small mixture patterns. Sizes 11 to 16 years.

Other Boys' Suits 16.95 and 21.50

Young Men's
Shirts

- Fused Collars
- Fancy Stripes

1.59

To wear with your new Easter suit—a fine quality shirt tailored from long wearing Percale material. Choose from fancy stripe patterns in blue, brown, and grey colors. Attached fused collar. Sizes 12 1/2 to 14 1/2.

—Boys' Wear, Street Floor at The BAY

PRIVATE BEGGER ABROAD

Your Baby And Mine

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

The baby of one year, or thereabouts, who is tottering about the floor grasping everything he encounters, is certain to be destructive. Not that he intends to scatter the ornaments on the small table, or stick his fingers in the electric floor plugs nor does he want to pull the dishes from the dining room table when he hangs to its slipping cover. He is intent upon one thing—upon walking and holding to whatever seems to lend support.

But when he begins to toddle, he can be a real terror. He can be so sure of himself that he will walk right into the fire, or he will climb onto the table and pull down the dishes, or he will walk into the street and get run over. He is a real terror.

What the child needs is practice on the floor or in playpen with the going of the new toy, the new toy, the new toy. He needs to be sure of himself, to be sure of himself, to be sure of himself.

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Quick "Crillies"

By ALICE BROWN

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War Kitchen

By GAYNOR MADDOX

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THESE WOMEN—"No, no, dear—the new house will have a number of its OWN."

DOROTHY DIX SAYS—

Aiding Lonely War Wives Is Big Problem

Women Should Not Get Into Rut While Husbands Serve Abroad; They Should Get New Interests and Improve Outlook on Life

DEAR MISS DIX—I have been thinking about the lonely war wives who are left behind. They need new interests and a better outlook on life. They should not get into a rut while their husbands are serving abroad.

So let's forget the gay lights and gay times that we used to have and do not have now. Let's read more books, study more courses, attend more lectures and concerts. It will work, I know, for I am a Navy wife. I know that if I become bored it is my own fault.

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McKenney On Bridge

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

America's Card Authority. The bridge game is a popular pastime for many people. It is a game of strategy and skill.

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Firemen Overcome While at Work On Blasted Ship

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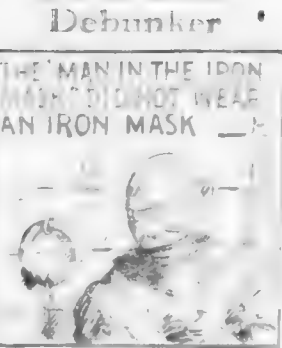
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Minute Make-Ups. A series of illustrations showing different ways to style hair and makeup for a quick look.

Tomorrow's Menu

What to eat tomorrow. A list of suggested dishes for the day, including soups, meats, and vegetables.

Barrister Dies

Charles F. Tremaine, KC, 70, died. A notice of the death of a prominent barrister.

Bulletin Patterns



Patterns for clothing. Information about where to find or purchase the patterns shown.

General Parkes Is Leaving Army

General Parkes is leaving the army. A notice about a high-ranking military officer's departure.

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Points for Parents

By EDITH THOMAS WALLACE

Illustrations showing children and parents in various domestic settings, emphasizing family values and child-rearing tips.

Home Nursing...

VITAL FACTOR in CANADIAN HEALTH

The need for a sound knowledge of Home Nursing is greater now than ever before. War has made deep inroads into the ranks of the medical profession—the demand placed on doctors and nurses today is onerous.

Wives and mothers who have taken the St. John Ambulance Association course in Home Nursing are able to make a definite contribution to health on the home front. With a sound knowledge of the elementary principles and practice of Home Nursing and of hygiene and sanitation, these women are in a position to care for the sick in their own homes and play an important part in building up the health and strength of Canadians.

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Chapter Names Representative

The following are the names of the representatives of the various chapters of the Y.W.C.A. who will take part in the entertainment program to be presented by the Y.W.C.A. on Saturday night, March 9th, at the Masonic Temple.

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VISITS MADE

Mr. J. H. ...



British Women Feel Fatigued

By RONALD G. BEDFORD

British women in Canada are feeling fatigued, according to a survey conducted by the British Women's Club of Edmonton. The survey, which was conducted among 100 British women, found that 80 per cent of them felt fatigued.

HARD PACE

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HOLIDAYS

The holidays are causing fatigue among British women, according to a survey conducted by the British Women's Club of Edmonton. The survey, which was conducted among 100 British women, found that 80 per cent of them felt fatigued.

Daughters' League Donates \$50 to Red Cross Drive

The Daughters' League of the City of Edmonton has donated \$50 to the Red Cross drive. The donation was made at a meeting of the league on March 5th.

Harpist to Give Concert

The Winnipeg Music Festival Association has announced that a harpist will give a concert on Saturday night, March 9th, at the Masonic Temple.



RECENT ARTIST

40 Artists To Entertain

Forty members of the Y.W.C.A. classes will take part in the entertainment program to be presented by the Y.W.C.A. on Saturday night, March 9th, at the Masonic Temple.

10,813 Enlisted By Active Army In Six Weeks

OTTAWA, March 9 (CP) — Re...

Surgery of No Use Lad With Large Heart Going Home to Die

800,000 Patients

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Women's Musical Club of Edmonton presents guest artist
JEAN FARQUHARSON
In the "Romance of the Harp"
MASONIC TEMPLE, MARCH 10th at 8 P.M.
Not to be missed

The Personal Column

THE Education Club of the City of Edmonton has announced that it will hold a conference on Saturday night, March 9th, at the Masonic Temple.

ARTHUR ARNOLD, of the Na

tional Housing of Ottawa, re...

Two Questions Are Answered By Pope Pius

NEW YORK, March 9 (AP) —

In a cablegram to the New York Daily Mirror, Pope Pius XII, through his secretary, answered two questions asked by the newspaper.

Red Cross Society Reports \$1,289,534 Collected in Drive

EDMONTON, March 9 (CP) —

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VITAL STATISTICS 1

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, 1001 1st St. N. W., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jane Smith, to Mr. John Doe, of the same address.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, 1001 1st St. N. W., announce the birth of a son, John H. Smith, on March 8, 1945, at 10:30 a.m., weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz., length 20 in., head 14 in.

Deaths

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Funerals

Funeral services for Mr. J. H. Smith will be held on Saturday, March 10, 1945, at 10:30 a.m., at the funeral home of J. H. Smith, 1001 1st St. N. W.

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Houses for Sale (Continued)

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Help Wtd.—Nurses

Psychiatric or Registered Initial gross salary \$100 monthly plus bonus. Uniforms supplied. 8-hour day.

WARD AIDS

Strong, capable girls, 20 years or older. Gross salary \$85 monthly, plus bonus. Uniforms supplied. 8-hour day. Work Medical Superintendent, Provincial Mental Institute, Box 307, Edmonton.

WANTED AT ONCE

HANNA MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL.

Two graduate nurses for general duty, 48-hour week \$100 per month with room and board. Apply: Matron-Superintendent

If You Are Seeking Work

USE THIS SERVICE

Advertisements for help wanted in the Bulletin are a valuable service. Advertisers are charged a fee of \$1.00 per line per week. The fee is payable in advance. Call at the Bulletin office to place your ad.

Situations Wtd.—Male 21

CARPENTER, builder—Houses, garages, basement rooms, auto, repairs, plumbing alterations, contract. Carr, 11018 57 street

ARTICLES FOR SALE

Misc. Articles for Sale 23

ONE new leather mattress, Box 30, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

BLACK, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

DOUGLAS, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

THREE 2-piece knitted dresses, \$2.00 each, plus \$1.00, 2-piece suit, \$3.50. English showpiece jacket, \$2.00. 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

SALE, Power separator, No. 18, good condition. G. R. Huff, Huff & Dairs, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

SIX 1/2" V-type radio, Model G. R. Huff, Huff & Dairs, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

MAINTENANCE, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

BAND SAW

815 James Paddy, 804 96 Avenue

McCLARY, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

NEW FOR COATS

Andrew, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

RADIO tubes, soldering irons, bulbs and battery

COUVES & HOWE, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

THE FARMERS' SEED & GARDEN HANDICRAFTS

HENRY WILSON, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

Furniture 25

SIX new chairs, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

NEW, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

LIBERTY MACHINE WORKS

1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

Musical Instruments (Pianos, Radios, etc.) 26

DIAPHRAGM, Temple, Hanks and 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

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ALBERTA ORGAN SHOP, 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

18 Stamps, Coins 27

SPORTING GOODS, Hunters' Supplies 29

SPORTING goods, hunters' supplies and prospectors' supplies. Moderately priced. Uncle Ben's Exchange, 1018 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

ARTICLES WANTED

Misc. Articles Wtd. 32

1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

Kap Pays Best Prices

For Furniture, Tools, Auto and Ladies' clothing. 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

CASH for used vacuum cleaners and appliances. 1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

CLOTHES AUCTION

1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

PIANOS WANTED!

If you want to cash in your piano for cash or as a trade-in, phone the BAY and a representative will call and make an appraisal. Phone 914 Furniture Dept., 2nd Floor

Hudson's Bay Company

MACHINERY, PIPE

Farm Implements, Machinery, Pipe 34

1001 1st St. N. W., Ph. 2700

OAT HULLERS

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District News In Brief

Supreme Sacrifice Paid on Nazi Soil by Men From Alberta Towns

WHITECOURT: Mr. and Mrs. T. Brewer have been informed of the death of their only son, Sgt. Morley Brewer, in air operations over Germany. A wireless air gunner, he is survived, in addition to his parents, by four sisters, Marguerite, Jean, Alberta and Patsy. He joined the Air Cadets while at high school, transferring later to the RCAF, and had been overseas several months.

WHITECOURT: Mrs. Mary Haver has been informed of the death of her only son, Sgt. Morley Haver, in air operations over Germany. A wireless air gunner, he is survived, in addition to his parents, by four sisters, Marguerite, Jean, Alberta and Patsy. He joined the Air Cadets while at high school, transferring later to the RCAF, and had been overseas several months.

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WINS MM—Sgt. Paul Vincent Kallal, 25-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kallal of Toftfield who has been awarded the Military Medal for gallantry.

Staff Sgt. Knutson Arrives At Jasper

JASPER: Staff Sgt. Knutson, who has been overseas for three years, arrived here today. He was wounded while serving on the western front with the RCAF. He is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Knutson.

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Red Deer's Mayor Is Descendant Of Toronto's First Store-Keeper

RED DEER: The grandfather of the Mayor of Red Deer operated the first store in the City of Toronto, and took an active part in the 1837-38 Rebellion. The mayor's son is serving overseas with the Canadian Army.

All in all, Mayor Harvey Halladay is a Canadian citizen from "back home" so that there may continue to be Canadian citizens contributing to the development of the country they love, the Canadian Army. Mayor Halladay's son of the mayor is doing a job with the Lorne Renfrew Scottish regiment in Italy. Mayor Halladay, now 57 years old, was born in Hamilton County, Ontario, as was his father, Isaiah Halladay, before him. He received his education there and started his business career with the CPR at Lorne, Ont. At present he is a locomotive engineer with the same company. In 1911 he was married to Miss Maude Strome at Wetaskiwin, by the Rev. Edward McGeachy, M.A. and they moved to Red Deer in 1915.

ACTIVE MEMBER

Among his activities he counts an active membership on the Board of Trade, the Citizens' Rehabilitation Committee, the Library Board and the Orange Lodge and Black Legion. He attends First Baptist Church.

For relaxation, the mayor prefers golf, fishing and hunting. He has one daughter, Mrs. I. Metcalf, also of Red Deer.

The family resided at highway 100, and is used to bring in \$50 a month of tourist trade in a large way.



MAYOR HARVEY HALLADAY.

Averts Fire

HARDISTY: A costly fire was averted here when R. Matton discovered a blaze in the livery stable. He succeeded in extinguishing the flames. Many horses were quartered in the building.

Veteran Home

CLIVE: Pte. A. Heslop, wounded in the fighting at Ortona during the Sicily-Italy campaign has returned to his home, after travelling across Canada on a hospital train. He is visiting his sister Mrs. A. Sissons, and Mr. Sissons.

Urge Johnson, CCF Council Get Together

BRANDON, Man., March 9.—(CP)—The Brandon CCF Constituency Association ended a five-hour debate early today by recommending that the Manitoba provincial council and Dr. D. L. Johnson, Brandon M.L.A., "get together and smooth out their difficulties without so much publicity."

The association recommendation following a joint statement in the Manitoba legislature last week by Dr. Johnson and Berry Richards (CCF-The Pas) criticizing the official CCF party policy.

Dr. Johnson outlined his stand at the association meeting. Other speakers included Harry Wood of Winnipeg, provincial CCF chairman.

TWO RESOLUTIONS

The approved recommendation was in the form of an amendment to two resolutions introduced at the meeting. One condemned the action of the provincial CCF executive in denying the Brandon member the right to publish his views in the official organ of the party. It criticized actions of other CCF officials and local associations in prejudicing members before Dr. Johnson and Mr. Richards have been given a fair trial.

The second resolution upheld CCF policies and disapproved the stand taken by the two members of the legislature. It recommended that the provincial council discipline Dr. Johnson for his action and his statements.

The provincial council will meet in Winnipeg Saturday to discuss action of Dr. Johnson and Mr. Richards.

Reveal Wager Made in U.S. Churchill Bet on British Empire Solidarity as Far Back as 1901

NEW YORK, March 9.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill, who in November, 1942, said he had bet the British Empire on the Empire's solidarity in the United States, 1901, it was revealed by a book dealer yesterday.

In the contract, made at Minneapolis Jan. 23, 1901, Mr. Churchill then a newspaper correspondent, bet the British Empire on the Empire's solidarity in the United States, 1901, it was revealed by a book dealer yesterday.

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B.C. Takes Steps To Halt Collusion In Divorce Cases

VICTORIA, March 9.—(CP)—Steps to prevent collusion in divorce cases in British Columbia were initiated by Attorney General R. B. Macdonald today.

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Two Lose Lives In Plant Blast

HAMILTON, Ont., March 9.—(CP)—Two men were killed and 10 other persons injured yesterday when an explosion of unknown origin shattered the Canadian Atomic Energy Commission plant here.

The bodies of Gordon Ross, 47, and Thomas E. Farnsworth, 29, both of Hamilton, were found from the shell smouldering ruins of the building last night more than eight hours after the blast shattered the two-story building.

The explosion was heard by thousands of people in the area.

Mayerthorpe Will Be Site For Hospital

MAYERTHORPE: After a number of attempts during the last 15 years, citizens of this town and district have been assured of the establishment of a hospital here. A site has been chosen and approved by the provincial health department, and the architects Rule, Wynn and Rule of Edmonton have laid the ground-work for construction.

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Machinery Firm Plans Construct Office Building

MAYERTHORPE: J. A. Neill, president of the Machinery Firm, plans to construct a new office building here to handle the firm's increased business. The building will measure 40 feet by 50 feet, and will include a large office space and repair shop.

Hardisty Seniors Beat Forestburg

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RADIO AUCTION OF FOOD

9 to 12
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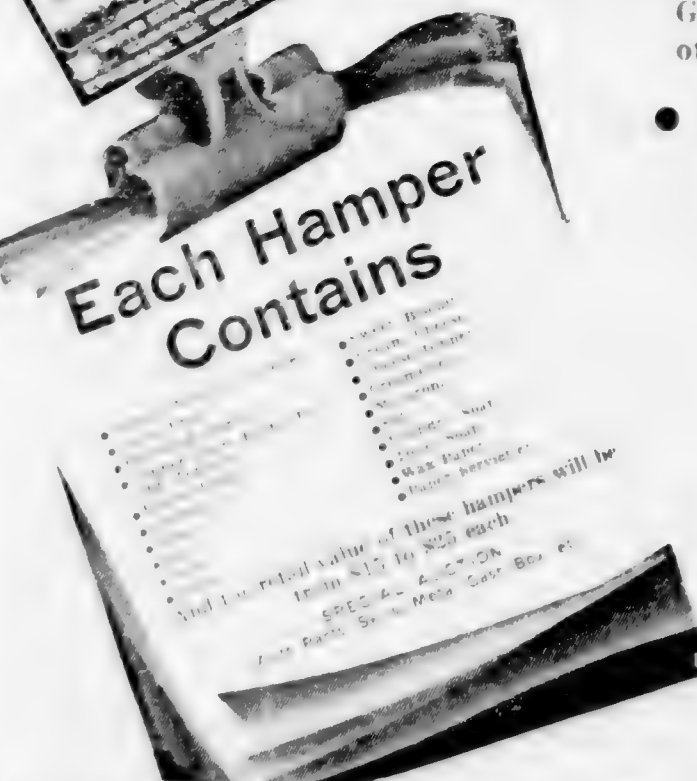


60 HAMPERS TO BE AUCTIONED

30 Go to Highest Bidders! 30 To Be Drawn For!

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AROUND HOME



RED RYDER



On Dangerous Sorties

City Naval Man Survives Service on Two-Man Subs

AN EASTERN CANADIAN PORT.—The only naval officer of a group who volunteered for service in the Royal Navy's famed two-man submarines to come back alive—Lt. Alan Moreton, RCNVR, of Edmonton, Calgary and Toronto earnestly believes it when he says, "I'm living on borrowed time for I've been too lucky. My ticket should have been punched long ago."

Serving at present as executive officer of an Algerine minesweeper (HMCS St. Boniface) working out of this port, Moreton can look back on five-and-a-half years of active service in the various naval theatres of war that will rate with the best.

A member of the peace-time reserve—he joined the RCNVR in May, 1938—Moreton was called on active service at the outbreak of hostilities, and after a short spell at Toronto he was drafted overseas on loan to the Royal Navy.

VARIED EXPERIENCES

It was while serving with the British fleet that "Mort" Moreton, encountered many of his varied dramatic war-time experiences, serving successively in an armed merchant cruiser, which was sunk in action, in a destroyer credited with the destruction of an enemy submarine in the Channel with one of the famed MTB flotillas that took part in coast raids and reconnaissance sorties, and 18 months of action with the two-man submarine fleet which engaged in some of the most dangerous of naval undertakings.

While "Mort's" action with the larger ships provided him with many thrilling encounters with the enemy, he claims his time with the MTBs and the two-man submarines gave him his most exciting moments.

Running mates of Moreton during these experiences were the late Lt. Charles "Chuck" Bonnell, DSO, RCNVR, of Toronto and Lt. James Kirkpatrick, DSO, RCNVR, of Kitchener, with whom he was associated during much of his overseas service.

"I first really got to know Chuck (Bonnell) and Kirk (Kirkpatrick) while we were serving aboard an armed merchant cruiser which was sunk by enemy action in November of '40. All three of us were survivors," said Moreton.

"Later we were together with the MTBs. Kirk was a flotilla leader, and we had our share of fun striking 'sneak blows' at enemy convoys in the Channel and Dover Straits. We got in a few good shows with Jerry, and we came out on top."

Describing these actions, Moreton told how the swift torpedo boats, after being informed of an enemy convoy approaching, would steal out at night, find their target, speed toward the victim, fire their charge, and shoot back out of firing range from the enemy's escort vessels.

"It was dangerous but thrilling work," Moreton said, but when it comes to real thrills he claims that the two-man submarines can provide you with the best.

ONLY SURVIVOR

"I'm the only one living of a group of volunteers who offered their services when the two-man submarines went into operation."

"Chuck" Bonnell was also associated in this work with Moreton. They made several successful raids together and says Moreton.

"Chuck and I were the only two Canadians with the two-man subs when they first were put into operation," said Moreton, "they asked for volunteers and as things were getting a bit quiet we decided to take a go at it."

After weeks of training, the two Canadian officers were given their first taste of operations, making a reconnaissance trip in the Mediterranean but the assignments that followed were as Moreton reveals "grimier and grimmer."

IN RUBBER SUITS

In the two-man sub you are decked out in rubber suits, with a special breathing apparatus. Once under the target, you release the torpedoes and set it to go off in accordance with the time you presume will allow you to get safely away and back to your destination. "It's just like a time bomb being set under the ship, when the mechanism ticks over in the time set to go off—smooth and it's all over."

Asked if it wasn't pretty cold in the water below the surface,



LT. ALAN MORETON

Moreton replied: "It certainly is, but like everything else you get used to it."

Much of his experience must remain secret, but when the history of this war comes to be written, it will be found that Moreton and his mates played no small part in the sea war against the enemy.

Records of HMCS Nonsuch here show no record of Lt. Moreton having served with the naval establishment here. However, the Navy List includes him as among RCNVR personnel, with a pre-war rating, and as HMCS Nonsuch records commence with outbreak of war his service record is not available here.

Two Named Varsity Student Candidates

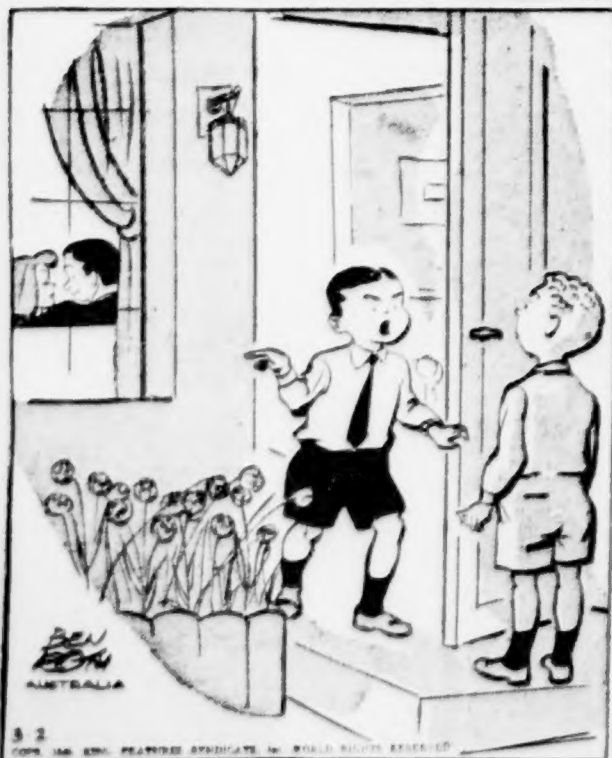
Garth "Bud" Eggenberger, second year law student, and Ron Helmer, fourth year engineer, are the two candidates running for presidency of the Students' Council at the University of Alberta in the election which will take place on Wednesday, March 14. Eggenberger is being backed by the law club and the education faculty and Helmer is being backed by the Engineering Students' Society of the University.

Candidates for vice-president are Vera Reddekop and Barbara MacPherson, for secretary, Jack Penzer and Edmund Jorre de St. Jorre, president of the men's athletic association, Art Follett, Del Steed, and Murray Stewart, secretary of the men's athletic association, Art Wagner and Gordon Proctor, president of the women's athletic association, Dorothy Ward and Sylvia Calloway, secretary of the women's athletic association, Vera Hole, Norma Howard and Margaret Hunter, president of the Wauneta society, Mary Spencer and Marion Finn, education representative, Stan Tenove and Stephen Hensley, engineering representative, Lou Costello and Jack Houlgate, arts and science representative, Jean Anderson and Jack Pritchard, secretary of the music association, Gordon Mathias and Lois MacPherson, secretary of the Wauneta society, Kay McAdam and Marion McNeill.

Five positions were filled by acclamation. Dave Bently will be treasurer of the Students' Union, Lawrence Levine, president of the Literary Association, Kay Sheasby, president of the Music Association, George Varsvelt, agriculture representative on the council, and Anita Hensley, member of the women's disciplinary committee.

All candidates will be given a chance to present their platforms before the student body on Saturday, when a mass meeting of the entire student body will be held in Convocation hall.

Glass Is Broken
Refused a room in a rooming house in the district of 102 avenue and 96 street Thursday afternoon, a man and woman hurried ice through a pane of glass in the place, city police were told. Interviewed by officers, the couple paid \$9 to the proprietor of the establishment.



LAFF-A-DAY—"The tightwad! When I caught him kissing sister, he just turned around and said 'How'm I doing?'"

Red Cross Has Nearly \$26,000 In City Drive

Donations totalling \$25,995.43 have been received in Edmonton's part in the Dominion-wide Red Cross campaign, it was announced Friday. This figure includes donations received up till noon Thursday. In the Edmonton district, \$5,502.50 has been subscribed, bringing the Northern Alberta total to \$31,501.95.

From Dominion headquarters at Toronto Friday came word that to date the national campaign has reached 13 per cent of its \$10,000,000 objective. Alberta has reached 11 per cent of its \$400,000 quota, or \$45,000. The Northern Alberta campaign is aimed at no objective other than as much more than the last year's total of \$177,000 as can be reached.

SOLDIERS HELP

In the Friday list of donations, \$30 was listed as having been donated by two service men, Lt. W. S. Evans and Pte. H. E. Miller, Elks Lodge No. 11 gave \$250 as the day's largest single donation, and total of \$575 was received from 15 Edmonton doctors.

Donations of \$100 or more were made by Weisler's Ltd., "A Friend," Mr. and Mrs. Reed, Rite Spot, Turner's Bakery, Morton's Ltd., augmented by staff donations of \$17, S. J. McCoppen, Bennett and White and the Canadian Surety Co.

The Camrose Red Cross branch to date has donated \$556, Holden branch has reached \$1,014, Bon Accord \$535 and Bonnyville \$385.

The campaign, which opened Monday, will be continued by the Red Cross until March 31. With no house-to-house canvass in Edmonton this year, donation head-

Chamber Members Survey Shipping

Through a canvass of all shippers in the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce the shippers' section has undertaken an investigation of freight rates.

A questionnaire covering freight rates as they affect local shippers, and the freight rate structure in Canada generally, has been sent to all members of the retail, wholesale and manufacturers' sections of the Chamber.

A similar survey is being conducted in Calgary, and results of the questionnaires will be compared by March 20, when results will be considered by the shippers' section.

Continuing Probe Into Garage Fire

Investigations into Thursday morning's fire in which the premises of Alberta's Auto Body Works were badly damaged and the contents of the building, including buses, trucks, automobiles, a tractor and other motorized equipment were completely destroyed, were continuing Friday, at which time "no conclusion had yet been arrived at concerning its origin," according to John Booth, city fire marshal.

First damage estimates, it was learned, would be "cut down considerably" when investigations were completed.

Most of the vehicles in the building at the time the fire broke out were insured, Mr. Booth said, adding that a number of privately-owned autos only were believed to have been uninsured.

quarters are located in the Sterling shoe store, Jasper avenue.

Before the Magistrate

Kenneth J. Meagher, Edmonton, who pleaded guilty to breaking and entering Steele's Drug Store, acknowledged previous convictions and terms in penitentiary for theft of auto, breaking and entering, and had a long juvenile record, was sentenced Friday morning by Magistrate L. R. Jackson to three years in Prince Albert penitentiary.

William Romanuk, found guilty of assaulting his former wife, was fined \$10 or 15 days. He was warned that "this petty warfare must cease." The accused, it was stated, has a three-quarter interest in a roominghouse, while the ex-wife has a one-quarter interest. The latter has been collecting the rent.

Mrs. Matilda Beck, charged with theft of four pounds of sugar from a South Side store, said she "was sorry I didn't have any coupons." She was fined \$10 or 20 days.

Lawrence Maki, charged with keeping liquor for sale, had his case adjourned until Tuesday next.

Gordon E. Steinman, Edmonton, brought to Edmonton from Saskatchewan, where he had been held for several months concerning the alleged theft of automobiles, appeared before Magistrate L. R. Jackson in city police court Friday morning when he heard two charges of theft of autos against him.

The vehicles concerned, owned by Edmonton residents, were said to have disappeared last June 10 and August 8, respectively. The case was adjourned to March 16. Bail was set at \$2,000.

Coal Commission Sits Here April 16

Sittings of the Royal Commission on coal in Western Canada will open at Vancouver on March 26 and will travel east concluding the western circuit with sessions opening at Winnipeg on April 24.

Sittings will be held in Calgary starting April 3, in Edmonton on April 16, and Regina starting on April 18.

The commission, members of which are Mr. Justice W. F. Carroll, Halifax, chairman; Mr. Justice C. C. McLaurin, Calgary, and Angus J. Morrison, Calgary, will inquire into and report upon the problems of, and matters pertaining to the coal industry in Canada, having regard generally, to pre-war, present and anticipated post-war conditions and the probable future development of Canada.

Any person wishing to make a submission to the commission must prepare at least 10 copies of the brief, and at least 10 copies of a summary of such brief.

These copies should be filed with the secretary, Royal Commission on coal, for the Vancouver sittings c/o Hotel Vancouver not later than March 19; for the Calgary sittings c/o Hotel Vancouver not later than March 28; for the Edmonton sittings, c/o Hotel Palliser, Calgary, not later than April 9; for the Regina sitting, c/o Macdonald hotel, Edmonton, not later than April 16, and for the Winnipeg sittings, c/o Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina, not later than April 19.

Robert D. Howland is secretary of the commission.

VVR Parade

Members of the South Side Battalion, VVR, will parade at the City Police Station at 12:30 hours on Friday.

A-R-O-U-N-D THE TOWN

The Red Cross is holding mail for John Priskurich. Anyone knowing his correct address might phone 22946.

A truck fire about 1:50 a.m. Friday gave a run to No. 6 hall to 87 street and 87 avenue, where the blazing vehicle was dealt with. Owner of the truck was said to be Remi Bari, Pickardville.

The Engineering Institute of Canada, Edmonton branch, will hold a dinner meeting in the Macdonald hotel Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Two members of the department of civil engineering at the University of Alberta, E. D'Appolonia and R. M. Hardy, will speak on the subject "Permanently Frozen Ground."

A. C. Woodard, Edmonton, was elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in session at Calgary. Mr. Woodard is a member of Namayo Lodge, No. 47, IOOF.

Winnipeg Sailors Enter Loop Final

WINNIPEG, March 9.—(CP)—Winnipeg HMCS Chippawa and Winnipeg RCAF Bombers will fight it out in a best-of-five series next week for the Manitoba interservice senior hockey championship. The sailors advanced to the final by defeating Winnipeg Army 3-2 here last night to win the best-of-three semi-final in two games. They won the opener 7-5 in overtime.

LS. Gus Schwartz, LSH. Hal Laycoe and OS. Bing Jukes scored the navy goals while Lieut. Lin Bend got both army counters.

Seek Termination Of Daylight Time

Introduced as a measure to relieve "annoyance and disturbance" caused farmers and school children, a resolution urging the Dominion government to amend the order regarding daylight saving time to exclude Alberta from its provisions was passed in the Legislature Thursday afternoon.

The motion was proposed by the Rev. J. A. Wingblade, (SC-Weetaskwin). It was seconded by H. E. DeBolt (SC-Spirit River).

Mr. Wingblade told the house that daylight saving time constituted an unnecessary disturbance to the orderly life of the province. "I have yet to hear anyone say they liked daylight saving time," Mr. Wingblade declared. He said children were forced to attend school in the morning in utter darkness, and that farmers were hampered in their early morning chores through the necessity of carrying lanterns.

The resolution said in part that "whereas daylight saving time is in operation for the purpose of aiding the war effort... the effect of this measure is having the reverse result in Alberta which is dependent mainly on agriculture production and possesses relatively few wartime industries or activities entailing the need for economizing power..."

Returns Home

The Rev. K. C. McLeod of Mannville has returned to his home following a holiday with friends in Edmonton. While here he was the guest preacher last Sunday morning at McDougall United church. For many years he was superintendent of child welfare for the provincial government.

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the countless thousands...*

... who raise their heads and hands
in hope that the Red Cross will ease
their dire needs... your purse or
pocket book would be wide open.

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Wool Chesterfields
Wool Tweeds
Wool Shags

EATON'S RECOMMENDS one of the above mentioned Spring coats for yourself. Shades include both the high and dark! Sizes 12 to 20.

\$25.00

Budget Plan Terms, in accordance with Wartime Prices and Trade regulations.

—Coats, Second Floor

Easter Bonnets

Hats for the New Hairdos

Please that whim by choosing a new fur felt hat or one of straw (trade name) to brighten your costume for the Easter Parade. Flower, feather and veil trims. It's EATON'S for your new Spring hat! Any model is adorable and affordable. Purple, fuchsia, green, gold, red, brown, also black or white.

\$5.00 to \$15.95

Budget Plan Terms, in accordance with Wartime Prices and Trade regulations, on Millinery priced at \$15.00 and over.

—Millinery, Second Floor

Eaton's GlovesPoint the Fashion
Way for Milady

Three-button gloves like these will snowball their way to popularity again this Spring. Coal black and South American brown. Soft cotton fabrics—plain or self stitched. Sizes 6 to 7½. EATON'S VALUE PAIR.

85c

—Gloves, Main Floor

Handbags Styled for Junior MissYoung Miss Canada Will Thrill
At the Sight of These New Bags!

The Younger Set is more style-conscious than ever this Spring. New colors and shapes in handbags will thrill girls. Simulated leathers in new blues, reds and browns. Box, pouch and envelope styles—over-the-shoulders, too. Most have zipper inside compartments like Big Sister's handbag. EACH.

\$1.23 and \$1.93

—Handbags, Main Floor

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Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.—To Call EATON'S, Dial 9-1-2**Children's
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It's EATON'S for much needed socks for the children. Turn-down top style in red, navy or brown. Blended cotton and wool for longer wear. 6½ to 10 PAIR.

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—Hosiery, Main Floor

Footwear for Infants

Baby's first steps are important! Little feet will find these strap slippers, oxfords and boots comfortable and supporting. Black, white and elk (trade name) leathers.

STRAPS OR OXFORDS, Sizes 2 to 6, PAIR \$1.15
BOOTS, PAIR \$1.25Another grouping of white or elk (trade name) leather boots, slippers and oxfords in larger sizes. Sturdy leather soles and rubber heels will make the little ones feel "grown up." STRAPS OR OXFORDS, Sizes 6 to 7½ PAIR \$1.65
BOOTS, PAIR \$1.75**Children's Boots**

Neat, ankle-embracing boots in brown, black or elk (trade name) leather—well sewn and finished with leather soles and rubber heels. 8 to 10½ PAIR.

\$2.75**Boys' Oxfords**

"Young Canada" likes being well shod especially for Easter and following events. Blucher oxfords with hard-wearing leather soles and rubber heels. Uppers are of black or brown side leather. Sizes 1 to 5½ PAIR.

\$3.50

—Footwear, Main Floor

Children's Easter Parade

Pretty fashions for children—from the Store that Rates with mother and young Canada! Dainty skirts, coats and hats for girls... shorts and shirts and so on for little men. Sunday dress-up togs that go a-visiting right through Spring—at moderately low prices.

**Boys' Broadcloth
Shirts**

With Choir Boy Collar!

Button-on style shirts in plain blue, tan or white cotton broadcloth with choir boy collar, long sleeves and barrel cuffs. Sizes 2 to 6½ years. EACH.

\$1.49**Boys' Corduroy Shorts**

What man doesn't recall having worn shorts like these in his boyhood days? Medium wale cotton corduroys in blue, brown or green. Sizes 2 to 7 years. PAIR.

\$1.89**Teen-Age Skirts**

Alpine cloth (Rayon and Wool) skirts that should lend variety to Miss Twelve to Fourteen's daily wardrobe. Just think, plain white, beige, blue, navy or brown. Pleated and flared. Sizes 12 to 14½. EACH.

\$3.98**Teen-Age Jackets**

GIRLS' TEEN-AGE COTTON AND WOOL TWEED, polo cloth and plaid Spring jackets—single-breasted style with two lower patch pockets. British tan, red or navy. Sizes 12 to 14½. EACH.

\$5.95 to \$10.95**Two Coat Values**GIRLS' BOX AND FITTED COATS—Cotton and wool tweeds, pols and shags. Rose, green, beige or brown. Refreshingly colorful for 1945. Sizes 7 to 10. EACH. \$7.95 to \$12.95
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—Budget Plan Terms, in accordance with Wartime Prices and Trade regulations, on girls' coats priced at \$15.00 and over.

Boys' Spring Tweed Suits

When the Younger Male Circle starts using pomade and slicking up their pomadours—look for a new suit to be broached very, very soon. Their answer is here at a moderately low price. Notch lapels on coat. Pants have suspender buttons, belt loops and cuffed bottoms. Favorite shades for Spring: Grey, blue, brown or fawn. Sizes 10 to 16 years. COAT AND TWO PAIR LONGS.

\$14.95**All Wool
Tweed Longs**

Manly cut trousers in navy blue, light blue, grey, brown or fawn, that will likely be seen at some of the best Friday Night parties. Certainly these pants have cuffs, belt loops, suspender buttons, and usual pockets. Sizes 6 to 18 years. PAIR.

\$3.95**Mole Cloth
Separate Pants**

Again boys aged 6 to 18 years, hear of another good value in longs for school or semi-dress. Cotton mole cloth in stripes, herringbone or checked patterns. Usual features. Grey, brown or bluish-green. 6 to 16 years. PAIR.

\$1.95**\$6.75****Boys' All-Round Belted Cotton Corduroy Coats**

May be worn as is or the belt may show only at the back. Four-button front style with two breast and two lower semi-military patch pockets, with button-down flaps, and sports collar. Navy, blue, maroon, brown, fawn or green. Sizes 6 to 18 years. \$6.75 each.

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SHOULDER ROAST, 25c
LOIN ROAST, 38c
SIDE PORK, 24c**Diamond "E" Quality Meats**
Red Brand—Special Quality
HAMP ROAST, 38c
SHOULDER ROAST, 45c
BLADE BONE ROAST, 25c
ROUND BONE ROAST, 24c**Cooked Meats**
HEAD CHEESE, 25c
BACON, 29c
SMOKED VEAL AND TONGUE, 26c
SMOKED JOWLS, 19c
FANCY SIDE RACON, 25c**Smoked Meats**
COTTAGE BOULS, 40c
PICNIC STYLE PORK SHOULDERS, 24c
SMOKED JOWLS, 19c
FANCY SIDE RACON, 25c**FOODATERIA SELF-SERVE**

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Old, 16c
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4 lb. tin, 64cTEA, Eaton's Single Blend Black Tea, 67c
COFFEE, Eaton's Single Blend, 35cJAM, Wagstaff's Pure Raspberry, 4 lb. tin, 74c
MARGARINE, Asimel Pure Orange, 4 lb. tin, 51c
SHREDDED WHEAT, 10c
RICE KRISPIES, 2 for 21cCREAMERY BUTTER, Eaton's Imperial or Sundlo, 1st grade, 36c
Milkbrook, 2nd grade, 34cPEANUT BUTTER, Squirrel Brand, 22 oz. net jar, 32c
PEACHES, Glen Valley Brand, 20 oz. tin, 19cPEARS, Asimel Fancy Bartlett, 20 oz. tin, 20c
BONELESS CANNED FOWL, 3-oz. tin, 45c
CANNED SAUSAGE, Beacon Brand, No. 1 tin, 25cSPORK OR PREM. Tasty Pork Product, 12 oz. tin, 25c
OLD DUTCH CLEANSER, 9c
APRICOTS, Asimel Fancy Quality, 20 oz. tin, 20c
PLUMS, Berryland Choice Red, 20 oz. tin, 13c
APPLE JUICE, Sun Ripe Brand, 48 oz. tin, 29c
ALMOND COOKIES, Barker's, 29c
FLOUR, All Brands First Patent, 24 lb. bag, 77c
49 lb. bag, \$1.45 96 lb. bag, \$2.79OLIVES, Wagstaff's Pimento Stuffed, 8 oz. glass, 42c
TOMATO SOUP, Stockley's, 16 oz. tin, 3 for 27c
SARDINES, Brunswick Brand, 2 for 17c
PEAS, Broder's Best, 2 for 29c
PEAS, Country Kid, Sweet and Tender, 2 for 27c
PEAS AND CARROTS, Asimel Choice, 20 oz. tin, 15c
BEANS, Bestvalley Choice Cut Green, 2 for 25c
BEANS, Garden Patch Choice Cut Wax, 20 oz. tin, 15c
TOMATO JUICE, Stockley's Fancy Pack, 20 oz. tin, 2 for 23c105 oz. tin, 55c
CHIPSO OR OKYDOL, large pkg, 24c
CAMAY TOILET SOAP, 4 for 22c
IVORY SNOW OR IVORY FLAKES, large pkg, 23c
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CARRY AND SAVE
No C.O.D. Phone Orders**Apples**
YELLOW NEWTON, Fancy, 3 lbs. 27c
STAYMAN, 3 lbs. 26c
FANCY, 3 lbs. 26c
MONTOSH, 3 lbs. 23c
See Small**Bananas**
Limited quantity, 15c**Oranges**LAYS Brand—Fancy Navel, 2 lbs. 21c
SMALL, 2 lbs. 19c**Potatoes**
NETTED GEM, No. 4, 10 lbs. 29c
50 lbs. \$1.40**Deiner Frosted Foods**SLICED PEACHES, 10 oz. cup, 27c
APRICOTS, 10 oz. cup, 32c
SPINACH, 12 oz. carton, 27c
PEAS, 12 oz. carton, 26c
GREEN BEANS, 12 oz. carton, 23c**Suits for Boys, 6 to 10**

Fine Woven Wool and Cotton Tweeds

Juniors also have the breaks occasionally when it comes to buying smart, man-like two-piece suits. Witness this lot! Two-button coat with notch lapels and plain back. One pair of pants with cuffs, belt loops and suspender buttons. Pin stripe on brown, green or blue. Sizes 6 to 10 years. 2-PIECE SUIT.

\$6.50**That Canadian Look in
New Tweed Topcoats**

Step out smartly, sir, for your appearance counts in business and socially. Make the most of it with one of these wool tweed Spring coats. Single-breasted, fly-front models or button-through. Raglan sleeve style with loose swing back or set-in sleeve model with box back and notch lapels. Two slash pockets. Skeleton lining of art silk (rayon faced cotton). Greys and browns in herringbone weave, donegal or novelty all wool tweeds. Sizes 36 to 42. EACH.

\$25.00

Budget Plan Terms in accordance with Wartime Prices and Trade regulations.

—Men's Wear, Main Floor

EATON'S BARGAIN SECTION LOWER FLOOR NO DELIVERIES**Infants' Diapers**

White Canton cotton flannel diapers in approximate 22" size. Packed in bundles of twelve. PRICE.

\$1.75**Girls' Spun Rayon Dresses**

Miss Eight to 14 is always on the "Q-V" for new spring colored tailored dresses and here they are! Varied styles with neat collar, full cut short sleeves and fluid skirts, full and twirly. EACH.

\$1.79**Cotton Print Dresses**

White collars and cuffs set off these floral prints—first inklings of Spring. Short sleeves and full skirt. Sizes 2 to 6. EACH.

79c**Children's Long Sleeved Sweaters**

Round neck sweaters in white or blue—fashioned of waffle knit cotton. Sizes 26 to 32. EACH.

89c**Misses' Footwear**

A few tans as well as plain brown or black ties and oxfords—side leather uppers, leather soles and heels. Sizes 11 to 2. PAIR.

\$1.89**Boys' Spring Caps**

One-piece crowns in assorted patterned cotton tweeds—colors to match Junior's new suit. Cotton lined, leather sweatband, 6½ to 7. EACH.

79c**Boys' Golf Hose**

Ribbed cotton hose with turned down tops—plain white, brown or navy. 7 to 10. 3 pairs \$1.00

Blue Denim Rider Pants

Dude ranches popularized these blue cotton denim pants with everybody. Assorted leg lengths. Sizes 30 to 40. PAIR.

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